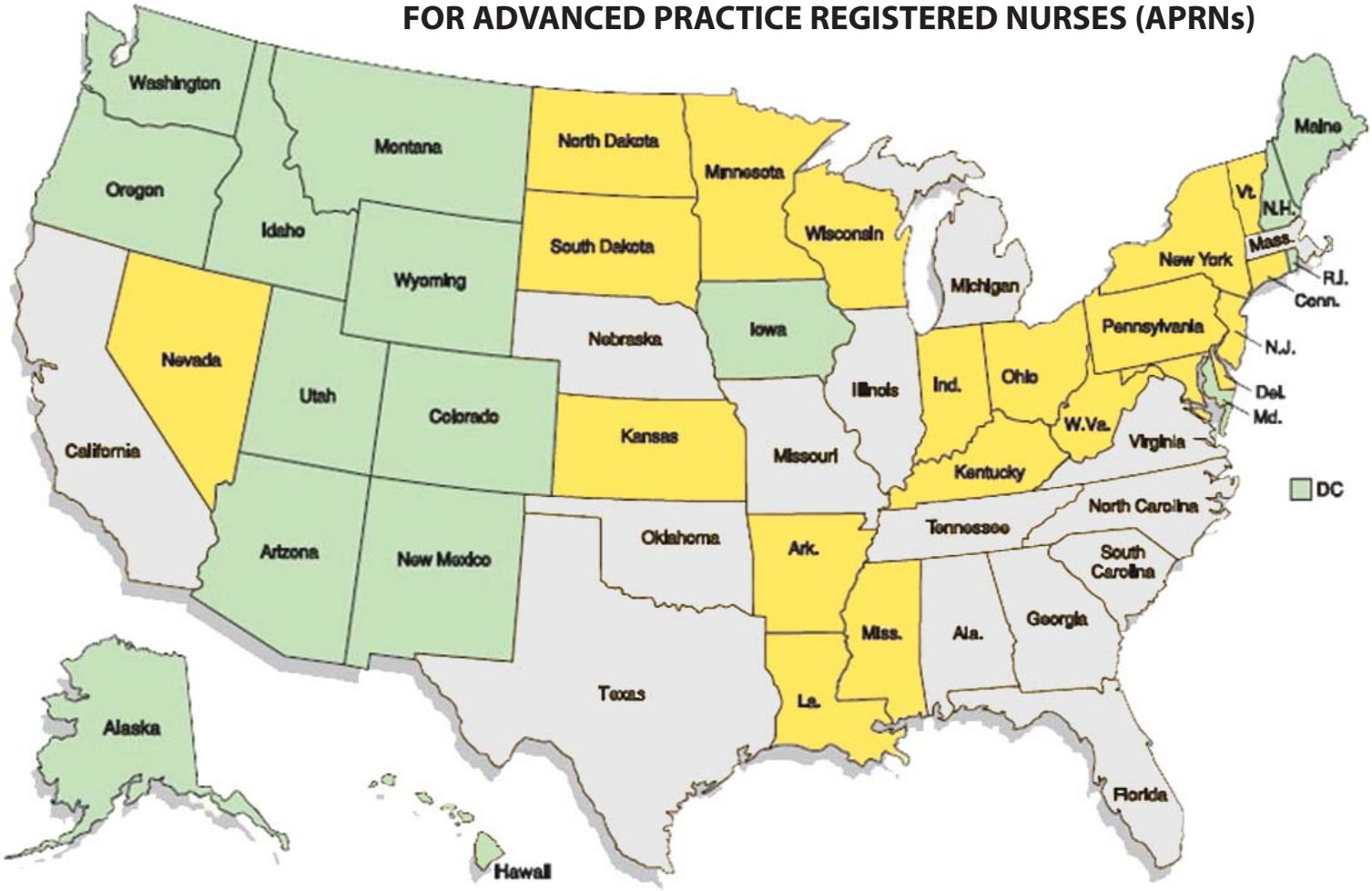
COMPARISON OF STATE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY LAWS FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES (APRNs)



INDEPENDENT TOTAL=16 + D.C.

Alaska
Arizona
Colorado
District of Columbia
Hawaii
Idaho
Iowa
Maine
Maryland
Montana
New Hampshire
New Mexico
Oregon
Rhode Island
Utah
Washington
Wyoming

COLLABORATIVE TOTAL=19

Arkansas
Connecticut
Delaware
Indiana
Kansas
Kentucky
Louisiana
Mississippi
Minnesota
Nevada
New Jersey
New York
North Dakota
Ohio
Pennsylvania
South Dakota
West Virginia
Vermont
Wisconsin

DELEGATED TOTAL=15

Alabama
California
Florida
Georgia
Illinois
Massachusetts
Michigan
Missouri
Nebraska
North Carolina
Oklahoma
South Carolina
Tennessee
Texas
Virginia

LEGEND:

Independent - State law does not require physician involvement. (Allows APRNs to practice to the full extent of their education and certification.)

Collaborative - State law requires some type of collaborative agreement.

Delegated - The Board of Nursing approves NPs for prescriptive authority but the authority to prescribe is delegated by a physician. (Severely restricts APRNs from practicing to the full extent their education and training should allow.)