



Summer 2022 Webinar

*Steps & Information on Earning Your
ANCC APRN Certification*

Learn About the Process to Apply & Renew

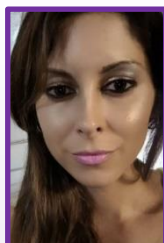
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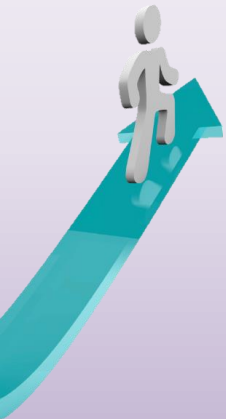


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Our Mission

The mission of the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), a subsidiary of the American Nurses Association (ANA), is to promote excellence in nursing and health care globally through credentialing programs.





American Nurses Association (ANA) Enterprise



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& RESEARCH



**American Nurses
Credentialing Center**
CREDENTIALING

Certification Programs for Advanced Practice

Nurse Practitioner (NP)



- Adult-Gerontology Acute Care
- Adult-Gerontology Primary Care
- Psychiatric-Mental Health
(*Across the Lifespan*)
- Family

AGACNP-BC
AGPCNP-BC
PMHNP-BC

FNP-BC

Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS)



- Adult-Gerontology

AGCNS-BC

Steps to Apply

1

Account Info

Website Access

Username:

Password:

Confirm Password:

[Create an ANCC account](#)

2

Validation of APRN Education Form

CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Applicant Last Name First Name MI

Other Legal Names Used Email

Address City State Zip/Postal

PROGRAM INFORMATION

Name of University City State

Program Director Name Program Director Phone Number Program Director Email

CANDIDATE EDUCATIONAL PREPARATION

Population and State of Program Completed (e.g., Family Nurse Practitioner, Adult-Gerontology CNS)

Submit transcripts and [Validation of Advanced Practice Nursing Education Form](#).

☀️ **Option 1:** Send all documents to APRNValidation@ana.org or upload all documents within your online application.

☀️ **Option 2:** Fill out [Supporting Documentation Form](#)

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Take your exam. Results are sent via e-mail after you have completed the test.

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Become certified once you pass the test or degree is conferred (if you test prior to degree conferral date).

3

Verify Certification



Submit your application through [Our Certifications](#) page.

[Apply for your verification](#) so that it will be generated as soon as you become certified. The first verification is free.

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Prometric Test Centers

View the study aids that are available for each certification by visiting the main [Our Certifications](#) page, click on your certification specialty, and scroll to the bottom.

Once you receive your **Authorization to Test** letter, schedule your exam through [Prometric](#).

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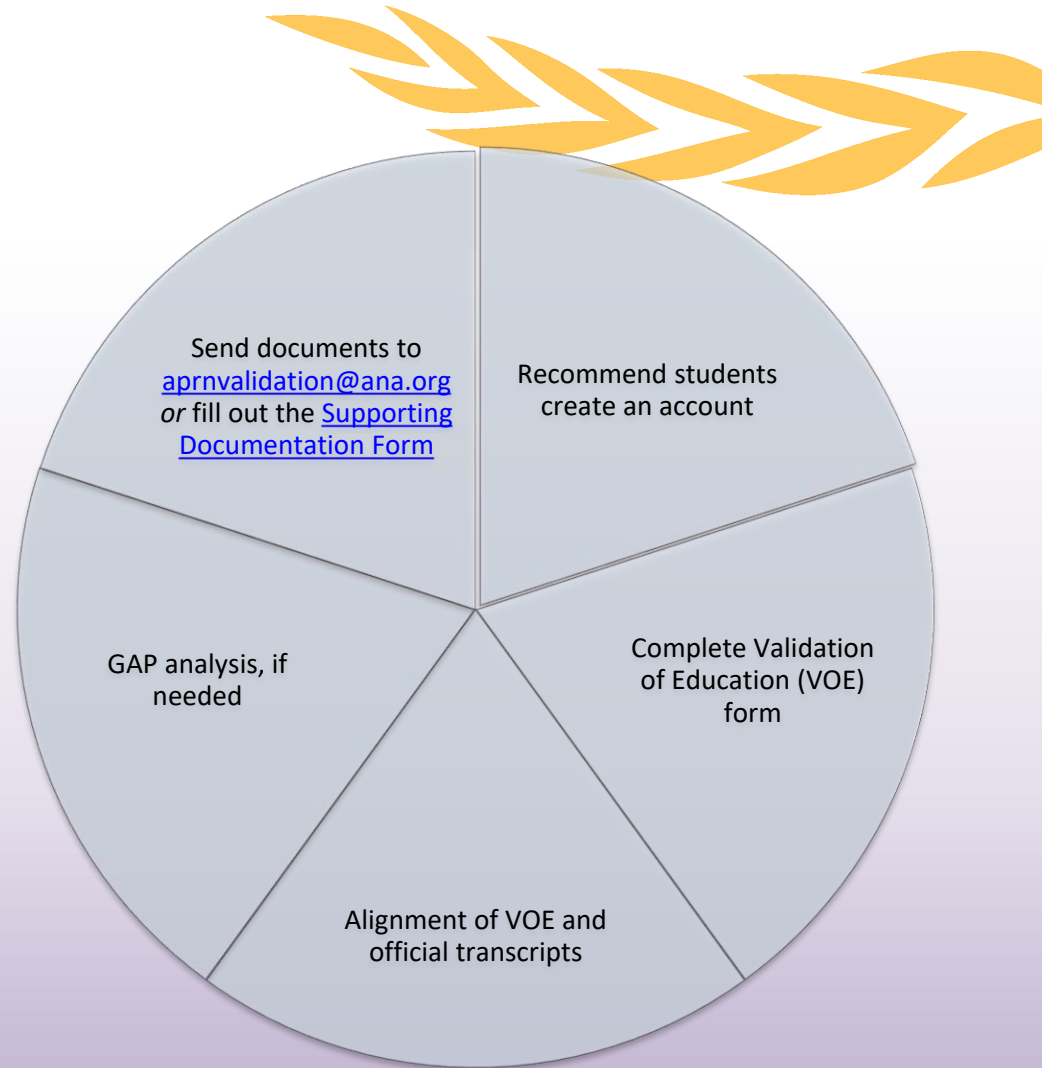
Renew your ANCC certification every five years.



Study Materials

Certification	Review Materials	Test
Family NP	Effective May 22, 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Content Outline Test Reference List 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.5 hours 175 questions 150 scored plus 25 pretest questions
Adult-Gerontology Primary Care NP	Effective December 16, 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Content Outline Test Reference List 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.5 hours 175 questions 150 scored plus 25 pretest questions
Adult-Gerontology Acute Care NP	Effective November 1, 2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Content Outline Test Reference List 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.5 hours 175 questions 150 scored plus 25 pretest questions
Psychiatric-Mental Health NP (Across the Lifespan)	Effective December 16, 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Content Outline Test Reference List 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.5 hours 175 questions 150 scored plus 25 pretest questions
Adult-Gerontology CNS	Effective March 14, 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Test Content Outline Test Reference List 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3.5 hours 175 questions 150 scored plus 25 pretest questions

Important Information for Faculty



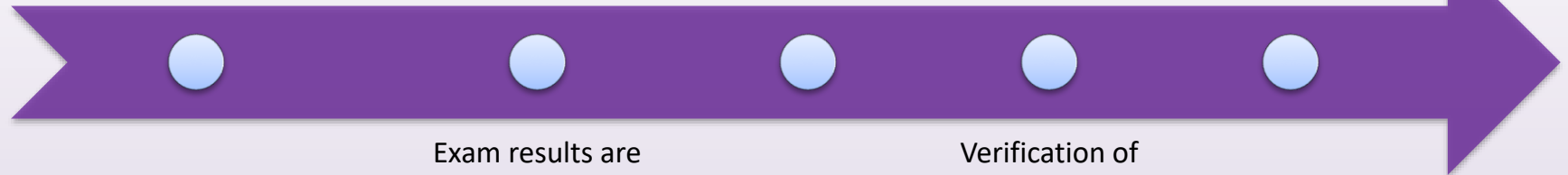
Processing Time



Estimated 3 weeks from
date of payment to
status of
authorized/eligible

24-48 hours
for results to
be sent to
ANCC

Wall
certificates 45
days after
status
"certified"



Exam results are
sent via email, after
you have
completed the test

Verification of
certification
with status
"certified"

Current Updates for Applying



Transcripts and Supporting Documents

- Send *all* supporting documents to aprnvalidation@ana.org for complete the [Supporting Documentation Form](#).

Prometric

- Prometric testing centers have limited openings. However, visit prometric.com to schedule your ANCC certification exam by remote proctoring.
- Visit the [Special Notice from Prometric regarding COVID-19 \(coronavirus\)](#) page updates.

FAQs

- Be sure to check out our [COVID-19 Policy FAQs](#)



Renewal Process

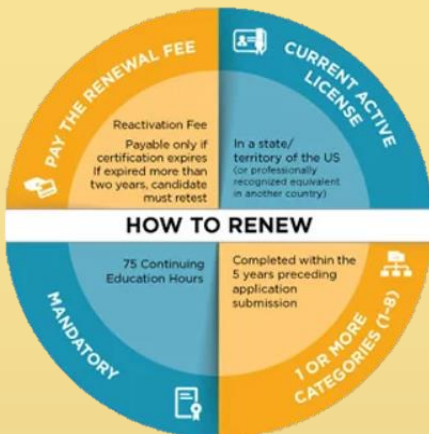
Due every 5 years

Certification can be renewed through various professional development and practice activities

Certification renewal requirements
promote lifelong learning and renewing with the ANCC provides you with 8 different options

Renewal Requirements

ALL certifications require a **MANDATORY** 75 continuing education hours (CH)



Plus one of 8 ANCC renewal categories:

Continuing Education Hours

Academic Credits

Presentation

Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) *or* Quality Improvement Project (QI) *or* Research

Preceptor Hours

Professional Service

Practice Hours

Examination, if available

ALL NP & CNS certificants are required to complete 25 CH of pharmacotherapeutics as a portion of the mandatory 75 CH

New Readiness Tests

Ease testing anxiety and evaluate your preparedness for the ANCC certification exams.

Experience the timed, live-proctored testing environment.

Assess your knowledge comprehensively or in a focused content domain.

Currently available for:

- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing (*Specialty*)
- Adult Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner (*APRN*)
- Family Nurse Practitioner (*APRN*)
- Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (*APRN*)

<https://www.nursingworld.org/certification/readiness-tests/>



Exciting News!



We are excited to inform you about the ANA Enterprise's newly launched website dedicated to advanced practice nurses (APRNs). This site is designed to assist:

- [Practicing APRNs](#)
- [APRN Students](#)
- [Prospective APRN Students](#)
- [APRN Faculty](#)

Visit our [Advanced Practice Initiatives](#) site today!

Committed to Supporting APRNs through their Professional Development Journey!



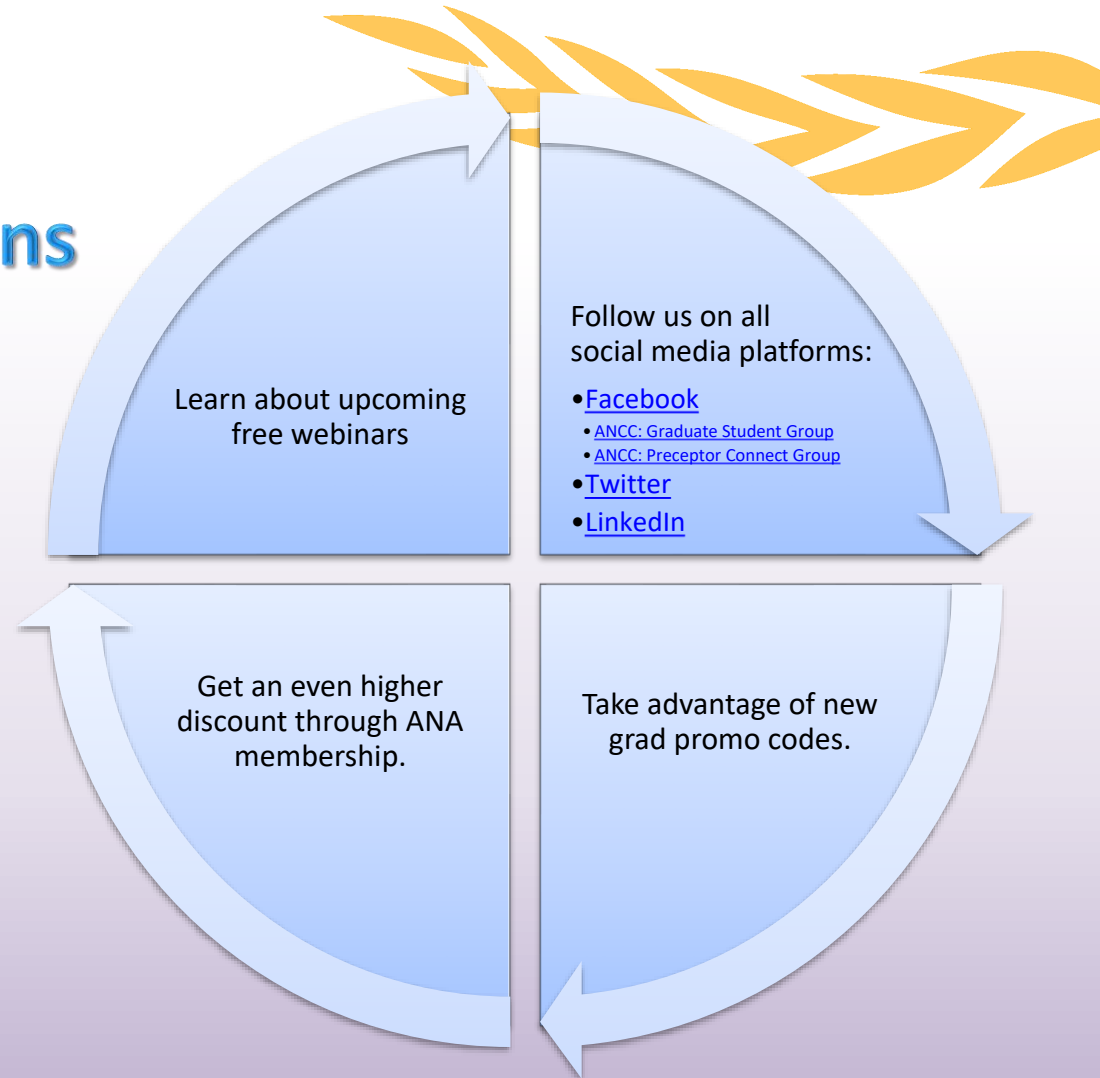
Working across the enterprise to develop educational content that is relevant and important to your practice.

Visit the Advanced Practice Initiatives website to learn more:

[Advanced Practice Initiatives](#)

Use of these or any other course(s)/material(s) does not imply eligibility for certification or successful performance on any certification exam, nor is it a requirement to qualify for individual certification.

Learn about Promotions via Social Media



Current Promotion for New Graduates



About to Graduate?
**Save \$125
or more* on
Your APRN
Certification**

NON-Members: **APRN**

ANA Members: **APRNMEM**

*Restrictions apply.

[ANA Membership](#)

Benefits of Becoming ANA Members



Discounts

- \$100 off ANCC initial or renewal certification
- [Free Navigate Nursing webinars](#) with FREE CNE
- Savings on workshops, webinars, and online courses for CNE on clinical practice, ethics, including leadership, work environment, and more
- [Personal Benefits](#) - Student loan refinancing with \$300 cash back, discounted professional liability insurance, discounts on Auto/Home insurance, Term Life insurance and more

Educational Resources

- [COVID-19 resources for RNs](#), including a vital COVID-19 video education series covering topics from disease progression to vaccines, mental health to racial disparities, and more.
- [American Nurse](#) journal
- [OJIN](#) - The Online Journal of Issues in Nursing
- [Professional tools](#) such as CINAHL, PubMed Citations, and Global Disease Alert map

Community

- [ANA Online Communities](#) – members-only online discussion groups
- [Mentorship Program](#) to connect RNs of different experience levels in meaningful mentoring relationships.
- [ANA Career Center](#)

Advocacy

- [RNAction](#) - Advocacy to strengthen nursing's voice and strive for safety and protection of all nurses during the pandemic
- [PAC](#) – Working on nurses' behalf to elect and re-elect nurse champions to public office



Have Additional Questions?

Contact our Customer Service Center at
1.800.284.2378

or

Via email at certificationoutreach@ana.org

Thank You For Joining Us!