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A Unique Volunteer Opportunity Awaits You at ANCC

Make a difference in the nursing profession by becoming a Content Expert Panel Member.

Participate in test development activities.

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What is ANCC?

The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), the nation's largest nursing credentialing organization, provides professional certification of nurses who have proven themselves through education, experience, knowledge, testing and professional conduct. ANCC offers a wide range of nursing certification examinations, including those for nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists and other specialty areas. Examinations are offered nationwide and are designed to objectively assess competency in nursing specialties. More than a quarter million nurses have been certified by ANCC since 1990. More than 80,000 advanced practice nurses are currently certified by ANCC.

Content Expert Panel (CEP)

A leadership role awaits you if you are interested in making a difference in the nursing profession. ANCC is recruiting volunteers to serve on Content Expert Panels. There are approximately 30 panels that guide the development of ANCC examinations by participating in role delineation studies (practice analyses); test content outline development; and the evaluation, revision, and approval of examination items. The CEPs also assist ANCC in promoting certification examinations at national conferences. Test development or test review experience is helpful but not necessary.

CEP Candidate Selection

Selection criteria classifications include current and former positions, educational levels, practice settings, geographic locations and other relevant categories. Candidates are first considered for panel membership based on specific eligibility criteria and then — once deemed eligible — are selected with the goal of achieving the broadest representation possible on the panel. This ensures a diversity of professional expertise, educational backgrounds, and personal experiences and perspectives which translates to a well-rounded panel and ultimately a psychometrically sound and legally defensible certification examination. ANCC certification and current participation within the specialty are prerequisites to joining a panel.

What Is Involved?

CEP members are expected to serve a four year term. CEPs hold approximately two-three face-to-face meetings per year. Each meeting lasts two-three days and is held on weekdays at the ANA/ANCC headquarters in Silver Spring, MD. Travel and lodging are provided at ANCC's expense. Participation in conference calls and review of materials at home may occasionally be required. Members are notified of meetings at least three-four months in advance of the meetings. Full participation at all meetings is required as it is critical to the success of the certification program.



Benefits

Membership on a CEP provides for opportunities to network with colleagues from diverse backgrounds and to share professional experiences. Active volunteers are awarded with a reduction of contact hours in continuing education required for certification renewal.

How to Join the CEP

To join a Content Expert Panel, please send an email to request application materials to **ANCCVolunteer@ana.org** or send a request via postal mail to:

American Nurses Credentialing Center
Attention: Volunteer Liaison
8515 Georgia Avenue, Suite 400
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3492

Application materials are also available at www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/CEPs.html.

Questions

If you have questions about becoming a Content Expert Panel member, please call 800.284.2378, x5260 or send an email message to **ANCCVolunteer@ana.org**.

The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), a subsidiary of the American Nurses Association (ANA), provides individuals and organizations throughout the nursing profession with the resources they need to achieve practice excellence. ANCC's internationally renowned credentialing programs certify nurses in specialty practice areas; recognize healthcare organizations for promoting safe, positive work environments through the Magnet Recognition Program® and the Pathway to Excellence™ Program; and accredit providers of continuing nursing education. In addition, ANCC provides leading-edge information and education services and products to support its core credentialing programs.

The American Nurses Association Center for Continuing Education and Professional Development is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

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