



ANCC proudly offers portfolio recognition for

Advanced Forensic Nursing

eligibility criteria

Portfolio submissions must meet these minimum requirements for recognition:

- > Hold a current, active RN license within a state or territory of the United States or the professional, legally recognized equivalent in another country. Graduate degree in Forensic Nursing **OR**
- > Graduate degree in nursing or forensic related field and practicing in the field of forensic nursing (this option available for one five year cycle of the portfolio 2010-2014. After that time it is expected that candidates will have a degree in Forensic Nursing)

All requirements must be completed prior to application for the review date.

For more information: www.nursecredentialing.org

Advanced Forensic Nursing

Application Deadlines

Portfolios are reviewed every six months.

If your portfolio is submitted by:
March 1
September 1

You will receive notice by:
June 1
December 1

2009-2010 Application Fees Includes \$140 non-refundable appraisal fee

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| ANA* or IAFN Member | \$270 | Required attachment: A copy of your American Nurses Association or International Association of Forensic Nurses membership card |
| Non-Member | \$390 | |

*Full and Direct ANA members only. Individual Affiliate members excluded from this offer.

Contact Information

For answers to questions, visit www.nursecredentialing.org or call 1.800.284.2378 or email anccportfolio@ana.org.

Mailing Instructions

Please type or print legibly using either black or blue ink. Submit an application, copy of RN license, all official transcripts with degree(s) conferred, and payment. Remember to attach all required supporting documents and mail to:

**American Nurses Credentialing Center
P.O. Box 791333
Baltimore, MD 21279-1333**

DETACH HERE

Complete application
and mail to ANCC.

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General Information

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Use your legal name on the application. This name will be the name printed on your certificate of recognition.

 Last Name First Name MI

 Maiden or Other Past Legal Names Social Security Number

 Home Address

 City State Zip/Postal Country

 Home Phone Home Fax Personal E-Mail

 Employer Name

 Employer Address

 City State Zip/Postal

 Work Phone Work Fax Work E-Mail

Type of primary position:

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Manager | <input type="checkbox"/> Associate/Assistant Administrator | <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical/Staff Nurse |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Practitioner | <input type="checkbox"/> Educator | <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical Nurse Specialist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administrator/DON/CNO/VP Nursing | <input type="checkbox"/> Researcher | <input type="checkbox"/> Consultant |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

Payment

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Personal Check/Money Order (payable to ANCC) | Amount Enclosed: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charge Card (MasterCard or VISA only) | Amount to be charged: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Check here if this is an ATM/Debit card. See authorization below.* | Promotional Code (if applicable): _____ |

 Account Number Exp. Date

 Print Name on Card Signature

* ATM/Debit Card users only: I understand and agree that, by using an ATM/Debit card, I am authorizing ANCC to debit my account for the amount specified above. Further, I understand and agree that, if the ATM/Debit transaction fails or is declined, I am authorizing ANCC to complete the transaction as a credit card charge, if possible.

Education

Check all that apply:

- Diploma
 Associate Degree in Nursing
 Associate Degree in Other Field
 Baccalaureate in Nursing
 Baccalaureate in Other Field
 Master's in Nursing
 Master's in Other Field
 PhD in Nursing
 PhD in Other Field
 EdD
 DNP
 DNSc
 ND
 Other: _____

Check one of the following:

- I have requested my school send transcripts directly to ANCC.
 I have obtained transcripts in a sealed envelope directly from my school and have attached these transcripts to this application.

Please list all degrees you have been awarded (do not include high school).

Please attach additional page if necessary.

Required attachment: Transcripts from your graduate degree program. The following are not accepted: photocopies, faxes, attached transcripts that are not in a sealed envelope from the school.

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| School Name | School Code |
| Major/Area of Study | Date and Degree Conferred |
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School codes:

Available on-line at www.nursecredentialing.org/certapp/schoolcodes.cfm

Licensure Information

All candidates must complete this section in its entirety.

Required attachment: Attach a copy of license

Check this box if your state does not issue a paper license

Current RN License Number

State

Expiration Date (month/date/year)

Statement of Understanding

I hereby apply for portfolio recognition offered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). I have read the eligibility criteria for portfolio recognition. I understand that I am subject to all eligibility requirements for portfolio recognition as described in this application and the portfolio handbook and that eligibility for portfolio recognition depends on successfully completing specified portfolio program requirements. If portfolio recognition is granted, my name will be included in ANCC's official listing of individuals who have been awarded portfolio recognition.

By signing below, I authorize ANCC staff and the Commission on Certification to make whatever inquiries and investigations that they, in their sole discretion, deem necessary to verify my credentials, education preparation, practice, professional standing, and any other information included in, submitted with, or necessary for review of this application, my portfolio and any additional information submitted in support of or otherwise related to my portfolio or application for portfolio recognition.

I expressly acknowledge and agree that information accumulated by ANCC through the portfolio recognition process may be used for statistical, research, and evaluation purposes and that ANCC may enter into agreements to release anonymous and aggregate data to schools, external researchers and other third parties. Otherwise, subject to my mailing list refusal rights, all information will be kept confidential and shall not be used for any other purpose without my permission.

I hereby certify that the information provided on and with this application is true, complete and accurate. I further attest, by my signature, that I will maintain an active registered nurse license throughout the entire portfolio recognition period, including all renewal periods. I understand that any misstatement of material fact submitted on, with, or in furtherance of this application for portfolio recognition shall be sufficient cause for ANCC to: bar me from current portfolio recognition and future ANCC portfolio recognition and certification; invalidate the results of my portfolio evaluation; withhold this recognition and any ANCC certification; revoke this portfolio recognition and other ANCC portfolio recognition and certification; and take other action against me, including but not limited to notifying licensing authorities, law enforcement agencies, and employers.

I further understand that, if my portfolio recognition record is audited, I will be required to submit documentation to support the information in my application and in my portfolio. I further understand that, if I fail to timely submit supporting documentation, ANCC can: bar me from the portfolio recognition process and future ANCC portfolio recognition and certification; invalidate the results of my portfolio evaluation; revoke this portfolio recognition and other ANCC portfolio recognition and certification; and take other action against me, including but not limited to notifying licensing authorities, law enforcement agencies, and employers.

(Applications received without a signature incur a delay in processing, which will cause a delay in the review of your application and portfolio documents.)

Required Signature

Print Name

Date

MAILING LIST REFUSAL

ANCC may release mailing lists from its certification database to organizations or individuals who have information to distribute that would be beneficial to nurses or to nursing and recognition research. If you do not wish your name and mailing address to be released for marketing purposes, please mark the decline option below.

- I do not wish my name and mailing address to be released for any marketing purposes.

Demographic and Employment Information

Please complete both sections 6 and 8 for demographic information.

1. Location of facility:

- Urban
 Rural
 Suburban
 Outside the U.S.

2. Average number of patient encounters/visits per year at your primary place of employment:

- ≤1,000
 1,001–5,000
 5,001–10,000
 10,001–20,000
 20,001–40,000
 40,001–60,000
 60,001–80,000
 80,001–100,000
 >100,000

3. Will you receive a monetary reward/compensation from your employer for certification?

- Yes No

If yes:

\$ _____ per hour

\$ _____ per year

\$ _____ one time

4. Number of individuals you supervise:

5. Years of experience as a registered nurse/licensed practitioner (round to nearest whole year): _____

6. Total years of experience in the field in which certification is desired (round to nearest whole year): _____

7. Primary place of employment (check one):

- Ambulatory care
 Physician-managed group practice
 Home health
 Hospice
 Hospital
 Managed care
 Nurse-managed group practice
 Nursing home/long-term care
 Occupational health/environmental health
 Office nursing
 Public health/community health
 School health
 School of nursing/university/college
 Federal/military
 Other: _____

8. Patient population/conditions representative of your practice (check all that apply):

- Medical-Surgical
 Cardiac
 Endocrine/Diabetes
 Pulmonary
 Neurology
 Renal/Urology
 Orthopedics
 Rehabilitation
 Gerontology/Long Term Care
 Perinatal
 Post-partum
 Labor & Delivery
 Pediatrics
 ER
 Trauma
 Critical Care
 Other: _____

9. Age range of your primary patient population:

- 0–1
 2–21
 22–65
 66+

10. Average number of hours worked per week:

- 8 or fewer
 9–16
 17–24
 25–32
 33–40
 >40

11. Size of facility (total number of beds):

- N/A
 1–100
 101–250
 251–500
 >500

12. Is certification part of your employer's job performance/clinical ladder rating criteria?

- Yes No

13. How did you obtain this application?

- From ANCC website
 Mailed from ANCC
 From my school
 From my workplace
 At a tradeshow
 Other: _____

14. Please check the professional organizations in which you are a member (check all that apply):

- AACVPR American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation
 AADE American Association of Diabetes Educators
 AAACN American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing
 ACNP American College of Nurse Practitioners
 ADA American Diabetes Association
 ADA American Dietetic Association
 ANI Alliance for Nursing Informatics
 APhA American Pharmacists Association
 APNA American Psychiatric Nurses Association
 APHA American Public Health Association (Public Health Nursing Section)
 ANA American Nurses Association
 ASPMN American Society for Pain Management Nursing
 IAFN International Association of Forensic Nurses
 ISPN International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses
 GAPNA Gerontological Advanced Practice Nurses Association
 NACNS National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists
 NGNA National Gerontological Nursing Association
 NNSDO National Nursing Staff Development Organization
 PCNA Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association
 SVN Society for Vascular Nursing
 Other: _____

Other Demographic Information

Note: Providing the following information is strictly voluntary. It will be used for statistical purposes only.

Sex: M F

Date of Birth: _____
month/date/year

Race/Ethnic Group

- American Indian/Alaska Native
 Asian/Pacific Islander
 Black/African-American
 Hispanic

- White/Caucasian
 Native Hawaiian
 Other: _____

Advanced Forensic Nursing Demographic Information

1. What is your focus area?
(check all that apply)

- Interpersonal Violence
 Child Maltreatment
 Sexual Assault
 Domestic violence
 Elder Abuse
 Death Investigation
 Corrections
 Forensic Psych Mental Health
 Legal Nurse Consulting
 Emergency / Trauma services
 Public health and Safety
 Other: _____

2. Are you a member of any of the following organizations?
(check all that apply)

- American Board of Medical Legal Death Investigators
 American Board of Forensic Examiners
 American Academy of Forensic Sciences
 International Association of Forensic Nurses

3. Do you work in any of these practice settings? (check all that apply)

- DV clinics
 Correctional Setting
 Psych Mental Health Facility
 Death Investigation Agency
 Law Enforcement Agency
 Criminal Justice Agency

4. Average number of Forensic patient encounters /visits per year at your primary place of employment:

- <1,000
 1,000–5,000
 5,001–10,000
 10,001–20,000
 20,001–40,000
 40,001–60,000

5. Average number of Forensic patient encounters /visits per year for you individually:

- <50
 150–100
 101–150
 151–200
 201–250
 >250

To Do List

Date completed:

- _____ Read this entire application, front to back.
- _____ Determine whether you are/when you will be eligible.
- _____ Download supplemental application materials and instructions at the ANCC website:
www.nursecredentialing.org
- _____ Follow instructions and complete the application package.
- _____ For an in-depth review of practice, we also recommend *Forensic Nursing: Scope and Standards*, 2009 edition, co-published by the American Nurses Association and the International Association of Forensic Nurses. Available for purchase at **www.nursesbooks.org**

FILL OUT THE APPLICATION

Up to six months before your targeted portfolio review date, fill out the application, attaching all required documents.

Required attachments: (please mail everything together in one envelope)

- Photocopy of nursing license
- Photocopy of membership card (if you are claiming a discount)
- All official transcripts with degree(s) conferred
- Check (if paying by check)

MAIL APPLICATION

Mail your application and attachments to:

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Within two weeks from the date you mailed your application, you will receive a Receipt of Application notice in the mail.

RESULTS

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Request your one free verification of certification at **www.nursecredentialing.org** ANCC does not automatically send verification to your state board of nursing or employer. You must request a verification if your state board or employer requires it.

After you receive portfolio recognition, please go to the ANCC website at **www.nursecredentialing.org** for instructions on renewal requirements and portfolio maintenance. The renewal cycle is every five years.

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, healthy 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. All programs of the ANCC are administered without discrimination on the basis of age, color, creed, disability, gender, health status, lifestyle, nationality, race, religion, or sexual orientation. ANA is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by ANCC's Commission on Accreditation. ANA is approved as a provider by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider number 6178.



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