



# OVERVIEW OF ANCC

AMERICAN NURSES CREDENTIALING CENTER

The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), a subsidiary of the American Nurses Association, provides the gold standard in credentialing for healthcare organizations and nurses in specialty practice areas. Official ANCC recognition translates into rewarding practice environments for nurses and high-quality care for patients.

**Innovate. Involve. Inspire.**

As the world leader in credentialing, ANCC validates excellence in nursing practice through nationally recognized benchmarks and superior quality standards. ANCC certifies individual nurses, accredits healthcare organizations that provide and approve continuing nursing education (CNE), and recognizes exceptional nursing practice environments through its Magnet Recognition Program® and Pathway to Excellence® programs.

ANCC is passionate about nursing excellence. Nurses and organizations that earn ANCC credentials are trusted and respected because of their demonstrated knowledge, documented experience, and commitment to high-quality patient care.



### Organizational Credentials

### Individual Credentials

### Products and Services



Conferences.  
Consultation.  
Education.

The **Magnet Recognition Program®** is the most prestigious distinction a healthcare organization can receive for nursing excellence. Magnet organizations are recognized for superior nursing processes, structures, and outcomes, leading to high-quality patient care.

The **Pathway to Excellence®** and **Pathway to Excellence in Long Term Care™** programs credential healthcare organizations' commitment to creating a positive nursing practice environment. Pathway's focus on collaboration, career development, and accountable leadership ensures that nurses are valued.

**Accreditation** demonstrates an organization's commitment to quality continuing nursing education (CNE). ANCC-accredited organizations and programs provide nurses with the knowledge and skills to stay at the top of their profession.

ANCC **Certification** validates nurses' specialty knowledge and enhances their professional satisfaction. Our exams incorporate the latest national nursing practice standards, focusing on the skills nurses need to succeed.

ANCC's **Credentialing Knowledge Center** provides educational materials and guidance to support nurses and organizations in their quest to achieve success through ANCC's credentialing programs. Offerings include conferences, consulting, education, and events.



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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. ANCC's internationally renowned credentialing programs certify and recognize individual nurses in specialty practice areas. It recognizes healthcare organizations that promote nursing excellence and quality patient outcomes, while providing safe, positive work environments. In addition, ANCC accredits healthcare organizations that provide and approve continuing nursing education. ANCC's Credentialing Knowledge Center™ offers educational materials to support nurses and organizations as they work toward their credentials.



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ANCC is the only nurse credentialing organization to successfully achieve ISO 9001:2008 certification in the design, development, and delivery of global credentialing services and support products for nurses and healthcare organizations.



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