

Getting Certified as a NP in NYS

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NYS State Application

- NYS Application Webpages
 - <http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/nurse/nurseformsnp.htm>
- Complete form NP1
 - Do not mail until 1 month after your graduation date
 - It takes 2 to 4 weeks to complete your graduation information, ie., transcript and official school documents
- Complete form NP2
 - Please give to Ms. Dengel in the graduate office ASAP
- 4-8 weeks after all materials have been reviewed by the state you will receive a packet from NYS Office of the Professions
 - Check the verification webpages frequently

National Provider ID

- After receiving your NYS Credentials apply for a National Provider ID or update your current information
- You will need this for all applications, i.e, DEA, all insurance companies and NYS HCS account
 - <https://nppes.cms.hhs.gov/NPPES/Welcome.do>
- When getting an office stamp ensure your NPI and NYS Cert number on included along with name and address.

National Certification

- Both applications, AANP and ANCC, can be completed online
 - Application is not complete until all documents have been received
 - Keep copies of all clinical hours forms and evaluations
 - You may be audited by either agency
- Neither exam is easier or harder than the other
 - AANP
 - Clinically focused, differential diagnosis
 - AANC
 - More "advanced practice role focused"
 - Lots of role, administration of role & research issues on the exam
- Each agency has complete information on their websites regarding their respective exams

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Comparing the Exams

AANP	AANC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Your professional organization Responsible for standards and scope of practice as a profession http://www.aanpcertification.org/ptistore/control/index Accepted by all as proof of national certification Cost: Non-member rate \$315 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member rate \$240 Membership Student \$55 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Not your professional organization No input or responsibility to your practice as a professional http://www.nursecredentialing.org/ Accepted by all as proof of national certification Cost: nonmember of ANA \$395 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Member: \$270

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AANP	ANCC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> About 4-6 weeks to receive eligibility notice with 90 days to take exam Year-round computerized exam Immediate results available P/F 3-5 hours for 150 questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1.2 min/question 15 non-graded pre-test questions 4-8 week wait for paper results Credential: NP-C 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> About 6-8 wks after application to receive Eligibility notice with 90 days to take exam Year-round computerized exam 3.5 hours for 175 questions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 min/question 25 non-graded pre-test questions 4-8 week wait for paper results Credential: ANP-BC

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Remember

- Both are entry level exams
- Basics of Physical Assessment
 - Handout on Cardiac murmurs
- National Guidelines only
 - Forget what you did in the clinical situation
 - ATS for pneumonia, CDC for STD, ACR for RA
- Latest, newest guidelines will not be on the exam
 - Takes about 2 yrs for this info to make it to the test

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Re-Credentialing

AANP	ANCC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every 5 years 1000 hrs of clinical practice + 75 contact hours of CE in your focus area <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 CEU/CME = 10 contact hr 1 CH = 0.1 CEU You can retake the exam if you so desire. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> But this will tell everyone who are certifiably "crazy" 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Every 5 years 1000 hours of clinical practice + Combination of the following CEU types <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 75 CEU's in specialty <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Academic courses Thesis or dissertation Presentations or Lectures Publications Clinical Preceptorships 2 or more years of Professional Volunteer Services

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APRN Consensus Model Implementation in 2014

- What is it?
 - Attempt to nationally standardize education and practice across 4 advanced practice roles at the entry level of NP, CNS, CRNA, and CNM
 - For NP's this will be Adult-Geriatric, Family, Peds, Mental Health
 - Standard core education
 - Theory/Research (at Molloy is called the "Core")
 - Patho/Pharm/Physical Assessment as basis for practice
 - Then population focus: Adult-Geri, Family, Peds, MH

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- Those who set educational standards have come to "consensus" on how APN's should be educated
 - American Association of Colleges of Nursing
 - American Academy of Nurse Practitioners
 - National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties
 - Many, many others
 - See consensus document for list

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- Those who have taken national certifying exams before full implementation in 2015 will be "grandfathered"
- How this will be implemented in each **state** is unknown
 - This is entirely up to each state to or to not implement
- According to Lauren O'Brien, Executive Secretary of Nursing at NYS DOE OP, there will be no changes to NYS requirements for certification
 - This would require opening and changing the nurse practice act and changing NYS statutory law.
 - However.....this may change how schools are accredited based on requirements of national educational accrediting bodies.
 - No national certification for credentialing in NYS in the near future

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- Certifying agencies (AANP, ANCC) do not have specifics of how new certification and/or recertification might change after 2014 based on the APRN mandates other than the inclusion of geriatric information to the ANP/FNP exams.
- They will provide information to those certified or seeking certification/recert as changes are anticipated.
- However, they do know that the "grandfathering" rules will not change.

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After NYS Certification

- DEA certificate
 - <http://www.deadiversion.usdoj.gov/drugreg/index.html#1>
- To order free prescription blanks must have a NYS Health Commerce Services Account
 - First complete form and mail
 - <http://www.health.ny.gov/forms/doh-4329.pdf>
 - In 2-4 weeks will receive by mail a PIN number and instructions to access the account

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How to document credentials

1. Degrees (List highest to lowest)
 1. Once you have an MS, do not list BS, etc.
 2. If two degrees, most recent 1st
2. State License
3. Nationally Recognized APN Credentials:
 1. NP-C, ANP-BC, etc
4. Fellowships
5. Other Awards
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- Questions.....
- Comments.....
- Discussion.....

- Let's complete your NYS Forms
- Let's look at the AANP application
- As always call me for any questions