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NATIONAL CERTIFYING BODIES AND **APN CERTIFICATION EXAMINATIONS**
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APPLICANTS FOR INITIAL RECOGNITION: PLEASE USE THIS LIST TO CORRECTLY COMPLETE AN APPLICATION.

| OBN Exam Code # | Certifying Body | APN Category – Certification Examination | Certification Credential |
|-----------------|--|---|--------------------------|
| 56 | American Association of Critical-Care Nurses Certification Program (AACN) | CNS - Acute and Critical Care; Neonatal | CCNS |
| 57 | American Association of Critical-Care Nurses Certification Program (AACN) | CNS - Acute and Critical Care; Pediatric | CCNS |
| 58 | American Association of Critical-Care Nurses Certification Program (AACN) | CNS - Acute and Critical Care; Adult | CCNS |
| 4 | Council on Certification/Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists (CCNA) | CRNA - Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist | CRNA |
| 7 | American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB) – [formerly known as American College of Nurse-Midwives Certification Council] | CNM - Certified Nurse Midwife | CNM |
| 8 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | ARNP - Adult | ANP-BC |

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| 9 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | ARNP - Family | FNP-BC |
| 10 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | ARNP - Gerontological | GNP-BC |
| 11 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | ARNP - Pediatric | PNP-BC |
| 53 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | ARNP - Acute Care | ACNP-BC |
| 59 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | ARNP - Adult Psychiatric & Mental Health | PMHNP-BC [Adult] |
| 60 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | ARNP - Family Psychiatric & Mental Health | PMHNP-BC [Family] |
| 13 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS – Adult Psychiatric & Mental Health | CNS-BC |
| 14 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS – Child/Adolescent Psychiatric and Mental Health | CNS-BC |
| 15 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS – Public/Community Health | CNS-BC |
| 16 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Gerontological | CNS-BC |
| 17 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Adult Health [formerly known as Medical-Surgical] | CNS-BC |

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| 66 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Pediatric | CNS-BC |
| 61 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Diabetes Management, Advanced | APRN-BC-ADM |
| 36 | Pediatric Nursing Certification Board, Inc. (PNCB) | ARNP - Pediatric, Primary Care | CPNP-PC |
| 67 | Pediatric Nursing Certification Board, Inc. (PNCB) | ARNP - Pediatric, Acute Care | CPNP-AC |
| 39 | National Certification Corporation (NCC) | ARNP - Neonatal Care | RNC *NNP-BC |
| 40 | National Certification Corporation (NCC) | ARNP - Women's Health Care | RNC *WHNP-BC |
| 63 | HIV/AIDS Nursing Certification Board (HANCB) | CNS - Advanced AIDS Certified Registered Nurse | AACRN |
| 64 | American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Program (AANPCP) | ARNP - Adult | NP-C |
| 65 | American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Program (AANPCP) | ARNP - Family | NP-C |
| 68 | Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation (ONCC) | CNS - Advanced Oncology Certified | AOCNS |

** New credential designations are effective May 1, 2008. Previous credentials will be retired.*

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59 O.S. § 567.3.a.5.(b), 8., and 10.a.(2)

OAC 485:10-15-4.(a)(3); 485:10-15-6.(b); 485:10-15-7.(b)(2); 485:10-15-8.(a)(2)(3); 485:10-15-9.(a)(b).

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NATIONAL CERTIFYING BODIES AND **NON-APN CERTIFICATION EXAMINATIONS**
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Policy:

1. Certification examinations on this list are not advanced practice nurse (“APN”) certification examinations, and credentials by the certifying body are not at the advanced level.
2. **No initial recognition** as an APN is granted from this Non-APN List, unless there is not an APN examination available. **Please contact the Oklahoma Board of Nursing office for assistance, prior to completing an application for recognition as an APN.**
3. Advanced practice nurses with non-APN national certifications may continue to be recognized as APNs as long as they continue to **renew** their APN recognition.
4. This Non-APN Certification Examination List may be used to correctly complete renewal applications, if the current national certification is from an examination on this list.

NON-APN CERTIFICATION EXAMINATIONS LIST

| OBN Exam Code # | Certifying Body | APN Category - Certification Examination | Certification Credential |
|-----------------|---|---|--------------------------|
| 1 | Addictions Nursing Certification Board (ANCB) | CNS - Certified Addictions Registered Nurse | CARN |
| 3 | American Association of Critical-Care Nurses Certification Program (AACN) | CNS - Certified Critical Care Nurse | CCRN |
| 5 | American Board of Neuroscience Nursing (ABNN) | CNS - Certified Neuroscience Registered Nurse | CNRN |

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| 6 | American Board of Perianesthesia Nursing Certification, Inc. (ABPANC) [formerly known as American Board of Post Anesthesia Nursing Certification] | CNS - Certified Post Anesthesia Nurse | CPAN |
| 19 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Community Health Nurse | RN,BC or RN,C |
| 21 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Gerontological Nurse | RN,BC or RN,C |
| 23 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Medical-Surgical Nurse | RN,BC or RN,C |
| 24 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Pediatric Nurse | RN,BC or RN,C |
| 25 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Perinatal Nursing [Note: Examination has been retired; last exam administered on May 19, 2007.] | RN,BC or RN,C |
| 26 | American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) | CNS - Psychiatric and Mental Health Nurse | RN,BC or RN,C |
| 29 | Board Certification for Emergency Nursing (BCEN) | CNS - Certified Emergency Nurse | CEN |
| 31 | Wound Ostomy Continence Nursing Certification Board (WOCNCB) – [formerly known as Enterostomal Therapy Nursing Certification Board] | CNS - a. Certified Wound, Ostomy and Continence Nurse b. Certified Ostomy Nurse c. Certified Continence Nurse | a. CWOCN b. COCN c. CCCN |
| 34 | National Certification Board for Diabetes Educators (NCBDE) | CNS - Certification Examination for Diabetes Educators | CDE |

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| 37 | Pediatric Nursing Certification Board, Inc. (PNCB) | CNS - Certified Pediatric Nurse | CPN |
| 38 | Competency & Credentialing Institute (CCI) - [formerly known as Certification Board of Perioperative Nursing] | CNS - Certified Nurse Operating Room | CNOR |
| 43 | National Certification Corporation (NCC) | CNS - Inpatient Obstetric Nurse | RNC,INPT *RNC-OB |
| 44 | National Certification Corporation (NCC) | CNS - Low Risk Neonatal Nurse | RNC,LRN *RNC-LRN |
| 46 | National Certification Corporation (NCC) | CNS - Neonatal Intensive Care Nurse | RNC,NIC *RNC-NIC |
| 48 | Nephrology Nursing Certification Commission (NNCC) | CNS - Certified Nephrology Nurse | CNN |
| 49 | Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation (ONCC) | CNS - Oncology Certified Nurse | OCN |
| 50 | Orthopaedic Nurses Certification Board (ONCB) | CNS - Orthopaedic Certified Nurse | ONC |
| 52 | Rehabilitation Nursing Certification Board (RNCB) | CNS - Certified Rehabilitation Registered Nurse | CRRN |

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