

## Memberships

AANPCB is affiliated with two national membership organizations.

### AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS (AANP)

[aanp.org](http://aanp.org)



AANP is the voice for all NPs. It is a professional membership organization for NP students and NPs of all specialties. Member benefits include reduced registration fees for the AANP National, Health Policy, and Fall conferences. Free CE activities are available to members and non-members.

### AMERICAN ACADEMY OF EMERGENCY NURSE PRACTITIONERS (AAENP)

[aaenp-natl.org](http://aaenp-natl.org)



A professional membership organization for NPs who practice in emergency care settings and provide emergency care for patients of all ages and acuities.



## Fees

Active AANP and AAENP members receive a \$75 discount on all certifications.

### Initial Certification by Exam

Online Application	\$315 (members \$240)
Paper Application	\$365 (members \$290)

### Recertification

Online Application Practice & CE	\$195 (members \$120)
Paper Application Practice & CE	\$245 (members \$170)
Online Application by Examination	\$315 (members \$240)
Paper Application by Examination	\$365 (members \$290)

### Practice Examinations

\$50

*\*All fees are shown in U.S. dollars and are subject to change without notification*

#### VIEW 'HOW TO APPLY' VIDEOS' ON OUR WEBSITE

- Initial FNP & A-GNP Exams
- Retake Exam
- Emergency Exam
- Recertification
- Verifications

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# Excellence in Nurse Practitioner Certification



Certifying NPs since 1993

[aanpcert.org](http://aanpcert.org)



## What is AANPCB?

AANPCB is a nonprofit national nurse practitioner certification board that provides a valid and reliable program for the evaluation of individuals that wish to continue or advance in the nurse practitioner profession through the certification process. We offer certification exams for Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioners (A-GNP), Family Nurse Practitioners (FNP), and Emergency Nurse Practitioners (ENP). Certification renewal is offered to AANPCB-certified FNP's, A-GNP's, ENP's, Adult NP's and Gerontologic NP's. AANPCB is recognized by all U.S. states and Canadian provinces as well as by Medicare, Medicaid, U.S. Veterans Affairs, and Insurance companies.

*NP-C is the trademark credential that designates certification by AANPCB.*

## Why Choose Us?

The AANPCB mission is excellence in NP certification. We are a nationally accredited certifying organization. Our certification examinations are 100% clinical and competency-based.

## Exam Eligibility Requirements

### Initial FNP & A-GNP

- Graduate (graduating) from an accredited Master's, Post-Graduate, or DNP program.
- Current active U.S. or Canadian professional nursing license.
- Apply and complete payment.

#### REQUIREMENTS TO PROCESS AN APPLICATION

- Official or unofficial transcript showing university/college; student's full name; completion of the 3 APRN Core courses (advanced assessment, pharmacology, pathophysiology); and at least one NP population of specialization course.
- Copy of current U.S. or Canadian active professional nursing license.

*NOTE: An official final transcript with degree or certificate awarded date is required to release certification after testing.*

### Initial ENP

- Current active U.S. or Canadian professional nursing license.
- Current national FNP certification.
- Completion of emergency specialty content
- Apply and complete payment.

#### REQUIREMENTS TO PROCESS AN APPLICATION

- Emergency care specialty content that includes one of the following options:

##### OPTION 1

*CE Clinical Practice:*  
A minimum of 2,000 direct emergency care practice hours as an NP in the past 5 years, plus 100 hours of advanced emergency care CE that includes 30 hours of emergency care procedural skills.

##### OPTION 2

*Academic Program:*  
Completion of an academic emergency graduate or post-graduate certificate NP program.

##### OPTION 3

*Fellowship:* Certificate of completion from an approved emergency fellowship program.

## Recertification Eligibility Requirements

Two options for renewal of A-GNP, ENP, & FNP certifications. Due to exam retirement, option two is not available for ANP or GNP certifications.

### Option 1

- 1,000 clinical practice hours in the NP role and population area.
  - Faculty supervision of NP students is optional and may qualify for up to 500 hours of clinical practice.
- Complete 100 advanced practice CE contact hours.
  - 25 CEs (of the 100 total) need to be advanced pharmacology (required).
  - Up to 25 non-pharmacology CE credits may be replaced with optional Preceptor hours.
  - Optional credit may be received for graduate or post-graduate courses if the coursework directly relates to advanced practice nursing knowledge and skills.
- Practice hours & CEs are completed within the current 5-year period of certification.
- Current RN or APRN license.
 

*NOTE: Procedural skills CEs may be used for ENP certification renewal, but not required.*

### Option 2

- Take and pass the certification examination congruent with educational preparation prior to the current 5-year certification expiration date.
- Current RN or APRN license.

#### HELPFUL TIPS FOR INITIAL EXAMINATION

- Review test-taking tips, Candidate Testing Information Bulletin, Candidate Handbooks, and other resources can be found on our website under the Resources tab.
- Certification Examination Reference List can be found on our website under the Reference List tab.

#### HELPFUL TIPS FOR RECERTIFICATION

- Apply as early as one year prior to certification expiration date.
- Certification is time-limited and expires at the end of the 5-year certification period.
- Keep your AANPCB online profile and contact information current to ensure courtesy reminders and certification notices are received.