



## Online Instructions

### Initial Application for Certified Nurse Aide by Examination

Read the application instructions, statutes, and regulations before completing your application. Retain this information for future reference. **YOU MUST HOLD A TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT CERTIFICATION TO PRACTICE IN ALASKA.**

#### 1. A COMPLETED ONLINE APPLICATION, INCLUDING PAYMENT OF FEES

Fees: \$275.00 total (nonrefundable application fee, certification fee, and nonrefundable fingerprint processing fee)

Note: You may only pay with a credit card when submitting an online application. The online application is not complete until you have completed the credit card payment online.

#### 2. VERIFICATION OF NURSE AIDE TRAINING OR NURSING SCHOOL TRAINING

Complete Section I of the Verification of Nurse Aide Training form (#08-4069b). Submit the form to the school or facility where you completed your nurse aide training program. The training program will complete the form and return it to the Alaska Nurse Aide Registry. If utilizing nursing school training to meet requirements for examination, submit nursing school official transcripts in place of the Verification of Nurse Aide Training form.

#### 3. FINGERPRINT & BACKGROUND CHECK

Submit one original 8" x 8" fingerprint card (FD-258). The card must be printed in black/pale blue ink, on cardstock and include the FBI privacy statement on the back. The fingerprint card submitted as part of this application should be sent directly to the Alaska Board of Nursing (550 W. 7th Ave., Ste. 1500 Anchorage, AK 99501) who will submit it to the Department of Public Safety (DPS) to perform a criminal background check through the State and Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI) in accordance with AS 12.62.400 and 28 CFR 50.12(b).

The fingerprint card will be rejected, and a new card and fee may be required for any of the following reasons:

- Incorrect type of card
- Incomplete or incorrect personal information or signatures
- Improperly rolled prints

If, however, an adverse report is received you may decide to challenge the accuracy or completeness of your FBI report directly with the FBI at [www.FBI.gov](http://www.FBI.gov) (28 CFR 16.30 through 16.34). Challenges to the accuracy or completeness of your State of Alaska criminal history report may be directed to the Division of Statewide Services, Department of Public Safety at <https://dps.alaska.gov/Statewide/R-I/Background/Home>. Challenges may be given no later than 30 days after you have been notified by DPS of an adverse report.

#### 4. ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

If you graduated from a foreign prelicensure education program NOT taught in English, you must submit ONE (1) of the following:

- (A) verification you have passed an English proficiency examination that includes components on reading, speaking, writing, and listening;
- (B) an evaluation of your nursing education by the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools Credentials Evaluation Service (CGFNS), including a full education, course-by-course report that indicates your nursing education was taught in English; **or**
- (C) an official International Commission on Healthcare Professions (ICHP) certificate that verifies you have successfully completed the VisaScreen: Visa Credential Assessment Service.

**Note:** We are unable to accept the Online IELTS Indicator Test or the TOEFL at Home Test.

**REQUIREMENTS:**

An applicant is eligible for the examination if the applicant meets ONE (1) of the following requirements:

1. Proof of successful completion, not earlier than two years immediately before the date of the completed application, of a state approved certified nurse aide training program with a minimum of 140 hours of training that includes a minimum of 60 hours of classroom instruction and 80 hours of clinical/skills training;  
- OR -
2. Possession of an unencumbered nursing license, either current or lapsed, issued by a state or territory of the United States or by a province or territory of Canada;  
- OR -
3. Successful completion not earlier than two years immediately before the date of the completed application, of one year or more of nursing education that includes both clinical and classroom instruction in nursing fundamentals from a nursing school approved by a state or territory of the United States or by a province or territory of Canada;  
- OR -
4. Successful completion, not earlier than five years immediately before the date of the completed application, of a United States corpsman or medic training program and service in the United States military forces as a corpsman or medic not earlier than five years immediately before the date of application;  
- OR -
5. Successful completion of a nursing training program in a foreign country other than Canada. Applicants must submit transcripts accompanied by certified English translations if the original documents are not in English.

**EXAMINATION INFORMATION:**

After you have completed your nurse aide training program and have met all the application requirements with the Alaska Board of Nursing, you will be sent an Approval to Test letter (ATT) from the Alaska Board of Nursing with instructions on how to schedule your exam. Upon receipt, you may register for the Nurse Aide Examination (NNAAP) with Credentia Nurse Aide Credentialing Services after creating a CNA365 account (<https://credentia.com/test-takers/ak>). Once your CNA365 registration application has been approved by the Alaska Board of Nursing, you will receive an emailed notification from Credentia alerting you to sign into your CNA365 account in order to schedule your next examination(s).

After you have passed the written and skills Nurse Aide examinations, your certificate will be issued. If you did not achieve a passing score, you will be notified.

**SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO TAKE THE EXAMINATION:**

Programs under the jurisdiction of the Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing are administered in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. To request an accommodation when taking the Nurse Aide Exam, notify our testing company, Credentia, at the time of exam registration via CNA365.

**CERTIFICATION TERM:**

Certificates are issued for a two-year period and expire on March 31 of even-numbered years, regardless of the date of issuance, except certificates issued within 90 days of the expiration date which are issued to the next biennial expiration date. One renewal notice will be sent via email or mail at least 60 days before certification expiration to the last known email or mailing address of record. Failure to receive a renewal notice does not relieve a certificate holder from the responsibility of renewing a certificate on time.

**PROFESSIONAL FITNESS QUESTIONS:**

A "yes" response in the application does not mean your application will be denied. If you have responded "yes" to any professional fitness questions, submit an explanation with the charging and closing court documentation showing final disposition of the charge(s) (e.g. court records, fitness letters, etc.).

**DENIAL OF APPLICATION:**

The denial of an application for certification may be reported to any person, professional licensing board, federal, state, or local governmental agency, or other entity making a relevant inquiry or as may be required by law.

**CHANGES TO LEGAL NAMES, EMAIL ADDRESSES AND/OR MAILING ADDRESSES:**

It is the applicant's responsibility to notify the division of any changes to legal names, email addresses and/or mailing addresses. The email or mailing address of record will be used to send all official notifications. The name appearing on the certificate must be your current legal name. The name change notification form is available on the division's website. Changes to email and/or mailing addresses can be submitted through MY LICENSE. (12 AAC 02.900)

**CERTIFIED TRUE COPIES:**

If any of the required documents will be issued under a former name, indicate on the application and submit marriage license and/or court documents that are notarized as a “certified true copy of the original document”. To obtain a certified true copy, you must present the notary with the original document along with the photocopy. You must write, “I certify this is a true copy of the original document” and sign your name. The notary will compare the original document with the copy and then notarize your signature.

**SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS:**

A U.S. Social Security Number must be on file with the division before a professional certificate is issued. If you do not have a U.S. Social Security Number, complete the Request for Exemption from Social Security Number Requirement form located at [ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov](http://ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov), and include required supporting documents as noted on the form. (AS 08.01.060)

**PUBLIC INFORMATION:**

All information on the application will be available as public record, unless required to be kept confidential by state or federal law.

**ABANDONED APPLICATIONS:**

An application is considered abandoned when 12 months have elapsed since correspondence was last received from or on behalf of the applicant. An abandoned application is denied without prejudice. At the time of abandonment, the division will send notification to the last known email or mailing address of the applicant, who then has 30 days to submit a written request for a refund of biennial certification and other fees paid, if applicable. The application fee will not be refunded. If no request for a refund is received within that timeframe, no refund will be issued, and all fees will be forfeited. (12 AAC 02.910)

**STALE DOCUMENTS:**

Application forms, authorizations and verifications older than 12 months from the date the document was received by the division will be considered stale; the document must be resubmitted as appropriate before the application will be considered by the division or a licensing board. Application documents include the application documents and verifications of licensure from other licensing jurisdictions. (12 AAC 02.915)

**BUSINESS LICENSES:**

The status of a professional certificate will directly impact the status of an associated business license. Renewal applications for business licenses are mailed separately. A professional certificate does not bypass the need for a business license; if a business license is required, it must be obtained after an initial professional certificate is issued. For more information about business licenses, visit [BusinessLicense.Alaska.Gov](http://BusinessLicense.Alaska.Gov).

**PAYMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT:**

If the Alaska Child Support Enforcement Division has determined that you are in arrears on child support, you may be issued a nonrenewable temporary license valid for 150 days. Contact Child Support Services at (907) 269-6900 to resolve payment issues.

**STATUTES AND REGULATIONS:**

The complete set of statutes and regulations for this program are available by written request or online at the division’s website: [ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov](http://ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov). Centralized statutes and regulations also apply to all professional licenses; those are also available on the division’s website. To receive notifications of proposed regulation changes, send a request with your name, email, and the program you want to be updated on to the regulation specialist at the following email: [RegulationsAndPublicComment@Alaska.Gov](mailto:RegulationsAndPublicComment@Alaska.Gov). Courtesy notifications of proposed program regulations changes will also be sent to the email address on record.



THE STATE  
of

**ALASKA** *Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development  
Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing*

**Nurse Aide Registry**

550 West 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1500, Anchorage, AK 99501

Phone: (907) 269-8161

Email: [BoardOfNursing@Alaska.Gov](mailto:BoardOfNursing@Alaska.Gov)

Website: [ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov/NurseAideRegistry](http://ProfessionalLicense.Alaska.Gov/NurseAideRegistry)

## Verification of Nurse Aide Training



**Applicant:**

Complete the identifying information below and forward a copy of this form to the facility or school where you received your nurse aide training. The facility or school will then mail the completed form directly back to the Alaska Board of Nursing, Nurse Aide Registry.

<b>Applicant Name:</b>		<b>Date of Birth:</b>	
<b>Maiden or Other Names Used:</b>			



**Training Program:**

Complete this bottom part for the applicant identified above and return the form directly to the Alaska Board of Nursing, Nurse Aide Registry at the letterhead address.

<b>Nurse Aide Training Program:</b>			
<b>Mailing Address:</b>	P.O. Box or Street	City	State Zip
<b>Phone Number:</b>		<b>State Program Approval Number:</b>	
<b>Date Entered:</b> (mm/yyyy)		<b>Date Completed:</b> (mm/yyyy)	
<b>Hours of Classroom Instruction:</b>		<b>Hours of Clinical Instruction:</b>	
<b>Nurse Aide Instructor Name:</b>		<b>RN License Number:</b>	
<div>Notary Seal</div>	<b>Nurse Aide Instructor Signature:</b>		
	<b>Notary Public for State of:</b>		<b>Subscribed and Sworn to Before me on this Day:</b>
	<b>Notary Signature:</b>		<b>My Commission Expires:</b>

# Fingerprinting Requirements

Your fingerprints will be used to check your criminal history records with the FBI [28 CFR 50.12(b)]. Procedures for obtaining a change, correction, or updating of an FBI identification record are set forth in 28 CFR 16.34.

This license application must be accompanied by a complete fingerprint card (may be used for the Alaska Department of Public Safety (DPS) and for the FBI national check). Fingerprint cards submitted must be one original 8" x 8" card (FD-258). The card must be printed in black/pale blue ink, on cardstock and include the FBI privacy statement on the back. Take the card, the instructions and photo identification to local law enforcement or other authorized agency to have the fingerprinting done. Follow these instructions and the back of the fingerprint card.

DPS/the FBI will not accept any fingerprint cards that do not comply with the following:

1. No staples or staple holes are permitted in fingerprint cards. Also, do not tape, tear or fold the cards.
2. Ensure the prints are done properly and well. Poor quality prints, smudging, non-rolled or incomplete fingerprints will cause the cards to be rejected by DPS, the FBI or both.
3. All applicable sections of the top portion of the card must be legible and complete. The information/signatures must be typed, printed or signed in BLACK ink; no other color is permitted. Individual information blocks on the fingerprint cards must be filled in as follows:

**NAME:** Applicant's last name (comma), first name, then middle name (if any); suffix denoting seniority (Jr., Sr., II, etc.) follow the middle or first name.

**SIGNATURE OF PERSON FINGERPRINTED:** Must be signed by the applicant.

**RESIDENCE OF PERSON FINGERPRINTED:** Enter the applicant's physical residence address.

**DATE:** Date fingerprinting was done.

**SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL TAKING FINGERPRINTS:** Signature of the person who rolled the fingerprints.

**EMPLOYER AND ADDRESS AND REASON FINGERPRINTED:** These blocks to be completed by the State of Alaska.

**ALIASES/AKA:** List other names used by the applicant that are different than that entered in NAME block; also, list maiden names and all previous married names of females.

**CITIZENSHIP/CTZ:** Enter US if a citizen of the United States; otherwise, enter the correct country abbreviation.

**YOUR NO./OCA:** Leave this space blank (Originating Agency Case Number).

**FBI NO./FBI:** Enter the applicant's assigned FBI number, if known.

**ARMED FORCES NO./MNU:** Leave this space blank.

**SOCIAL SECURITY NO./SOC:** List the applicant's Social Security Number.

**MISC. NO./MNU:** If Alaska resident, enter the applicant's Alaska driver's license or state ID# (if applicable).

**ORIGINATING AGENCY IDENTIFIER (ORI):** Leave blank, will be printed with AKAST0100, DPS, ANCHORAGE, AK.

**SEX:** F (Female), M (Male) or U (Unknown). Note: Those are the only codes recognized by the FBI. Recommendation is to use the sex declared on the State driver's license or identification card, if applicable.

**RACE:** Race must be indicated by one of the following one-character alphabetic codes:

*A = Asian, Pacific Islander, Chinese, Japanese, Polynesian, Korean, Vietnamese*

*B = Black*

*I = American Indian, Alaskan Native, Eskimo*

*W = White, Mexican, Latin, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Central/South American and other Spanish cultures*

*U = Unknown*

**HEIGHT:** Must be shown in feet and inches, fractions rounded off to nearest inches (i.e., 5'11" entered as 511).

**WEIGHT:** Must be expressed in pounds, fractions rounded off to nearest pound.

**EYES:** Indicate eye color by one of the following three-character codes:

*BLK = Black*

*GRY = Gray*

*MAR = Maroon*

*UNK = Unknown*

*BLU = Blue*

*GRN = Green*

*MUL = Multicolored*

*BRO = Brown*

*HAZ = Hazel*

*PNK = Pink*

**HAIR:** Indicate hair color by one of the following three-character codes:

*BLK = Black*

*BRO = Brown*

*ONG = Orange*

*RED = Red or Auburn*

*XXX = Unknown or*

*BLN = Blonde or Strawberry*

*GRN = Green*

*PLE = Purple*

*SDY = Sandy*

*Completely Bald*

*BLU = Blue*

*GRY = Gray or Partially Gray*

*PNK = Pink*

*WHI = White*

**PLACE OF BIRTH/POB:** List the state, territorial possession, Canadian province, or country of birth. Use the correct abbreviation for foreign countries or correctly spell the country's name. Do not use city or county names as a POB.

**DATE OF BIRTH/DOB:** Enter birth date as month, day, year. Fingerprint cards of persons 80+ years of age are not processed by the FBI. Note: If DOB is blank, the card will be immediately returned unprocessed.

**FINGERPRINT IMPRESSION BLOCKS:** (Individual and Simultaneous) It is very important care be taken to prepare the fingerprint cards properly. It will save much more time and avoid rejections to assure acceptability the first time. Use black printer's ink. Fingers should be clean and dry before being inked. Use neither too much nor too little ink, nor too much nor too little pressure to make the impressions. To help ensure legibility, all 10 fingers must be rolled from nail to nail and include the first flexion crease. Detail must be sufficient on all 10 individual prints to clearly define the loop, whorl, arch, or other pattern. Roll the prints in the correct sequence.

All instructions must be followed correctly. All information on the cards is essential. Double check your work before sending the card. Illegible, incomplete, or incorrect cards will be rejected, and a new card and fee may be required.

## Noncriminal Justice Applicant's Privacy Rights

As an applicant who is the subject of a national fingerprint-based criminal history record check for a noncriminal justice purpose (such as an application for employment or a license, an immigration or naturalization matter, security clearance, or adoption), you have certain rights which are discussed below:

- You must be provided written notification<sup>1</sup> that your fingerprints will be used to check the criminal history records of the FBI and the State of Alaska.
- You must be provided, and acknowledge receipt of, an adequate Privacy Act Statement when you submit your fingerprints and associate personal information. This Privacy Act Statement should explain the authority for collecting your information and how your information will be used, retained, and shared.<sup>2</sup>
- If you have a criminal history record, the officials making a determination of your suitability for the employment, license or other benefit must provide you the opportunity to complete or challenge the accuracy of the information in the record.
- The officials must advise you that the procedures for obtaining a change, correction, or update of your criminal history record are set forth at Title 28, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Section 16.34.
- If you have a criminal history record, you should be afforded a reasonable amount of time to correct or complete the record (or decline to do so) before the officials deny you the employment, license, or other benefit based on information in the criminal history record.<sup>3</sup>

You have the right to expect that officials receiving the results of the criminal history records check will use it only for authorized purposes and will not retain or disseminate it in violation of federal statute, regulation or executive order, or rule, procedure or standard established by the National Crime Prevention and Privacy Compact Council.<sup>4</sup>

If agency policy permits, the officials may provide you with a copy of your FBI criminal history record for review and possible challenge. If agency policy does not permit it to provide you a copy of the record, you may obtain a copy of the record by submitting fingerprints and a fee to the FBI. Information regarding this process may be obtained at:

<https://www.fbi.gov/services/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks>

If you decide to challenge the accuracy or completeness of your FBI criminal history record, you should send your challenge to the agency that contributed the questioned information to the FBI. Alternatively, you may send your challenge directly to the FBI. The FBI will then forward your challenge to the agency that contributed the questioned information and request the agency to verify or correct the challenged entry. Upon receipt of an official communication from that agency, the FBI will make any necessary changes/corrections to your record in accordance with the information supplied by that agency. (See 28 CFR 16.30 through 16.34).

To challenge the accuracy or completeness of your State of Alaska criminal history records, go to the Division of Statewide Services, Department of Public Safety at <https://DPS.Alaska.Gov/Statewide/R-I/background/Home> to request to correct criminal justice information.

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<sup>1</sup> Written notification includes electronic notification but excludes oral notification.

<sup>2</sup> <https://www.fbi.gov/services/cjis/compact-council/privacy-act-statement>

<sup>3</sup> See 28 CFR 50.12(b) and Alaska Regulation AAC 13.68.300.

<sup>4</sup> See 5 U.S.C. 552a(b); 28 U.S.C. 534(b); 42 U.S.C. 14616, Article IV(c); 28 CFR 20.21(c), 20.33(d) and 906.2(d).

## Privacy Act Statement

***This privacy act statement is located on the back of the FD-258 Fingerprint Card.***

Authority: The FBI's acquisition, preservation, and exchange of fingerprints and associated information is generally authorized under 28 U.S.C. 534. Depending on the nature of your application, supplemental authorities include Federal statutes, State statutes pursuant to Pub. L. 92-544, Presidential Executive Orders, and federal regulations. Providing your fingerprints and associated information is voluntary; however, failure to do so may affect completion or approval of your application.

Principal Purpose: Certain determinations, such as employment, licensing, and security clearances, may be predicated on fingerprint-based background checks. Your fingerprints and associated information/biometrics may be provided to the employing, investigating, or otherwise responsible agency, and/or the FBI for the purpose of comparing your fingerprints to other fingerprints in the FBI's Next Generation Identification (NGI) system or its successor systems (including civil, criminal, and latent fingerprint repositories) or other available records of the employing, investigating, or otherwise responsible agency. The FBI may retain your fingerprints and associated information/biometrics in NGI after the completion of this application and, while retained, your fingerprints may continue to be compared against other fingerprints submitted to or retained by NGI.

Routine Uses: During the processing of this application and for as long thereafter as your fingerprints and associated information/biometrics are retained in NGI, your information may be disclosed pursuant to your consent, and may be disclosed without your consent as permitted by the Privacy Act of 1974 and all applicable Routine Uses as may be published at any time in the Federal Register, including the Routine Uses for the NGI system and the FBI's Blanket Routine Uses. Routine uses include, but are not limited to, disclosures to: employing, governmental or authorized non-governmental agencies responsible for employment, contracting, licensing, security clearances, and other suitability determinations; local, state, tribal, or federal law enforcement agencies; criminal justice agencies; and agencies responsible for national security or public safety.

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