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## Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License – Adding Specialty Application Instructions

To practice as an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), you must first be licensed as a Registered Nurse (RN) in Alaska, 12 AAC 44.400(a)(2).

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse is defined by statute as, “a registered nurse authorized to practice in the state who, because of specialized education and experience, is certified to perform acts of medical diagnosis and the prescription and dispensing of medical, therapeutic, or corrective measures under regulations adopted by the board” in accordance with AS 08.68.850(1). An advanced practice registered nurse is a licensed independent practitioner who is licensed to practice as a nurse midwife, a clinical nurse specialist, a nurse practitioner, or a certified registered nurse anesthetist, or in more than one role. The individual must be licensed to practice in the role for which the individual has received specialized education, in accordance with 12 AAC 44.380.

### SCOPE OF PRACTICE

The scope of practice statement published by the national professional organization determines the scope of practice for the Advanced Practice Registered Nurse in accordance with 12 AAC 44.430.

***The following must be received by the division before your application for Advanced Practice Registered Nurse License – Adding Specialty can be reviewed:***

#### 1. APPLICATION

A completed application, signed and notarized (#08-4868, pages 1-2).

#### 2. FEES

Fees made payable to “State of Alaska.”

Nonrefundable Application Fee:

\$100.00

APRN License Fee:

\$100.00

#### 3. OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS

Official transcripts must be received directly from your program of study evidencing successful completion of a course of study in accordance with 12 AAC 44.400 (a)(1)(A). We do not accept copies from the applicant.

#### 4. NATIONAL CERTIFICATION

A copy of current national certification in your role and population focus. This must be received directly from the certifying body. We do not accept copies from the applicant.

#### 5. ENGLISH PROFICIENCY - FOREIGN GRADUATES ONLY

If you graduated from an advanced practice registered nurse program outside of the United States or Canada, except Quebec, Canada, submit one of the following:

- (i) Verification of having ever passed the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) - overall score of 6.5 with a minimum of 6.0 on all modules;
- (ii) Verification of having ever passed the Test of English as a Foreign Language, Internet-based test- overall score of 84 with a speaking score of 26;
- (iii) A valid evaluation of your nursing education by the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS) Credentials Evaluation Service, with a full education, course-by-course report that indicates your nursing education was taught in English;  
– OR –
- (iv) An official International Commission on Healthcare Professions (ICHP) certificate verifying successful completion of the VisaScreen: Visa Credential Assessment Service.

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

## **6. ADULT OR FAMILY PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONERS**

An applicant for an authorization to practice as an adult or family psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner must submit:

- Certification issued by the American Nurses Credentialing Center before January 1, 2003 certifying the applicant has passed the examination administered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center for:
  - psychiatric mental health clinical nurse specialist; or
  - adult or family psychiatric mental health practitioner; or
- Certification issued by the American Nurses Credentialing Center on or after January 1, 2003 certifying the applicant has passed the examination administered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center for adult or family psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner or clinical nurse specialist.

## General Information

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### **APPLICATION PROCESSING:**

The average processing time varies by program. When the application is complete and correct, all supporting documents have been received and all fees have been paid, the license may be issued. Start the process far enough in advance to allow for processing time. Applications are reviewed in order of receipt in our office, and walk-in customers should not expect immediate review.

### **DENIAL OF APPLICATION:**

Be aware that the denial of an application for licensure 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.

### **ADDRESS OR NAME CHANGE:**

In accordance with 12 AAC 02.900, it is the licensee's responsibility to notify the division, in writing, of changes of address or name. Name and address change notification forms are available on the division's website. The address of record with the division will be used to send renewals and all other official notifications. The name appearing on the license must be your current legal name.

### **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.

### **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:**

Under 12 AAC 02.910, 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 address of the applicant, who has 30 days to submit a written request for a refund of biennial license and other fees paid. The application fee will not be refunded. If no request for refund is received within that timeframe, no refund will be issued, and all fees will be forfeited.

### **BUSINESS LICENSES:**

The status of a professional license will directly impact the status of an associated business license. Renewal applications for business licenses are mailed separately. For more information about business licenses, (907) 465-2550 or *BusinessLicense.Alaska.Gov*.

### **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)

### **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*. To receive notification of all proposed regulation changes, send a request with your name, preferred contact method (mail or email), and the program you want to be updated on to the regulation specialist at the following email: *RegulationsAndPublicComment@Alaska.Gov*.



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### PART I Payment of Fees

Required Fees:	<input type="checkbox"/> Application and License Fee (\$100 is Non-Refundable)	<b>\$200.00</b>
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### PART II Personal Information

Full Legal Name:		AK APRN License Number:	
<b>Provide all other names used (maiden, nicknames, aliases).</b> If any documentation will be received in a prior name, you must provide a certified true copy of the documentation showing proof of legal name change(s).			
<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable			
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Names Used: _____			
Mailing Address:	P.O. Box or Street	City	State Zip
Contact Phone:		Date of Birth:	
<b>EMAIL AGREEMENT:</b> By choosing to receive correspondence on any matter affecting my license or other business with the Alaska Division of Corporations, Business and Professional Licensing, I agree to maintain an accurate email address through the MY LICENSE web page. I understand that failure to check my email account or to keep the email address in good standing may result in an inability to receive crucial information, potentially resulting in my inability to obtain or maintain licensure.			
Email Address:		Select One:	<input type="checkbox"/> Send my Correspondence Electronically <input type="checkbox"/> Send my Correspondence by Mail
<i>Note: If both boxes are selected above, you will receive correspondence electronically.</i>			

### PART III Educational Program

Name of Nursing School:			
Date Entered:	YYYY	Date Completed:	YYYY
Name of Certifying Body:			
For which role are you applying?	<input type="checkbox"/> NP <input type="checkbox"/> CNM <input type="checkbox"/> CNS <input type="checkbox"/> CRNA		
<b>What National Certification(s) do you hold? Check all that apply:</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> Acute Care/Emergency <input type="checkbox"/> Family <input type="checkbox"/> Pediatric			
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult <input type="checkbox"/> Family/Individual Across Lifespan <input type="checkbox"/> Psychiatric/Mental Health			
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult/Gerontology <input type="checkbox"/> Geriatric <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Health			
<input type="checkbox"/> Adult Psychiatric/Mental Health <input type="checkbox"/> Neonatal <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Health/Gender			



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## Notary Signature Page

<b>Applicant Name:</b>			
<b>Alaska License Number (if known):</b>		<input type="checkbox"/>	<i>Application in Process</i>

### PART IV Notarized Signature

I hereby certify I am the person herein named and subscribing to this application. I further certify I have read the complete application, and I know the full content thereof. I declare all of the information contained herein, and evidence or other documents submitted herewith are true and correct.

I understand any falsification or misrepresentation of any item or response in this application, or any attachment hereto, or falsification or misrepresentation of documents to support this application, is sufficient grounds for denying, revoking, or otherwise disciplining a license, registration, certificate, or permit to practice in the state of Alaska.

I further understand it is a Class A misdemeanor under Alaska Statute 11.56.210 to falsify an application and commit the crime of unsworn falsification.

A person who makes a false statement on this application may be subject to civil and criminal penalties, including prosecution for perjury (AS 11.56.200 & AS 11.56.230).

<div>Notary Stamp</div>	<b>Applicant Printed Name:</b>			
	<b>Applicant 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>	



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## Approved Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Certification Programs

**1. National Board on Certification & Recertification of Nurse Anesthetists (NBCRNA)**

- Initial and renewal certifications for nurse anesthetists

**2. National Certification Corporation for the Obstetric, Gynecologic, and Neonatal Nursing Specialties (NCC)**

- Woman's Health Care Nurse Practitioner (formerly OB/GYN Nurse Practitioner)
- Neonatal Nurse Practitioner

**3. The Pediatric Nursing Certification Board (PNCB)** Formerly National Certification Board of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners & Nurses (NCBPNP/N)

- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

**4. American Midwifery Certification Board (AMCB)**

- Nurse Midwives

**5. American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)**

- Family/Individual across the lifespan
- Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner
- Adult-Gerontology Primary Care Nurse Practitioner
- Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurse Practitioner (Across the Lifespan)
- Child and Adolescent Psychiatric and Mental Health Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Adult-Gerontology Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Pediatric Primary Care Nurse Practitioner

*If licensed as of January 1, 2024, may continue to practice if that certification is maintained:*

- Adult Health
- Family Health
- Gerontological Nurse Practitioner
- Acute Care / Emergency Nurse Practitioner
- Adult Psychiatric/Mental Health
- Family Psychiatric/Mental Health
- Women's Health

**6. American Academy of Nursing Practitioners (AANP)**

- Adult-Gerontology Nurse Practitioner
- Emergency Nurse Practitioner
- Family Nurse Practitioner

*If certified or licensed as of January 1, 2024, may continue to practice if that certification is maintained:*

- Gerontological Nurse Practitioner

**7. American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN)**

- Acute Care Nurse Practitioner