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| Arkansas  | [http://www.arsbn.org/](http://www.arsbn.org/) | - RN license in Arkansas or compact state  
- Master’s degree or higher in nursing  
- A minimum of 500 supervised clinical hours in direct clinical practice during the program  
- Criminal background check  
- Certification through a national certifying agency  
  - AANP  
  - ANCC  
  - NCC  
  - PNCB |
| California | [http://www.rn.ca.gov/](http://www.rn.ca.gov/) | - Unencumbered current CA RN license  
- Master’s degree in specialty area  
- Successful completion of certification exam in specialty area  
  - AANP  
  - ANCC  
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| District of Columbia | [https://doh.dc.gov/service/health-professionals](https://doh.dc.gov/service/health-professionals) | RN license in DC  
Master’s degree or higher in nursing  
Passport photos  
Criminal background check  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
• AANP  
• ANCC  
• NCC  
• PNCB |
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Master’s degree in specialty area  
Successful completion of certification exam  
• ANCC,  
• NCC,  
• NBPNP  
Proof of Malpractice insurance  
Electronic Fingerprinting |
Master’s degree with transcript showing advanced pharmacology, physical assessment and pathophysiology  
Must submit a paper application  
Submit proof of US citizenship status (driver’s license or passport)  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
• ANCC  
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Certification through a national certifying agency  
- AANP  
- ANCC  
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- PNCB |
| Idaho  | [https://ibn.idaho.gov/IBNPortal/](https://ibn.idaho.gov/IBNPortal/) | RN license in Idaho  
Master’s degree or higher in nursing  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- AANP  
- ANCC  
- NCC  
- PNCB |
| Illinois | [http://nursing.illinois.gov/](http://nursing.illinois.gov/) | An applicant for licensure as an advanced practice nurse shall file an application on forms provided by the Division. The application shall include:  
Current Illinois registered professional nurse license number.  
Master’s degree  
Proof of current national certification from one of the following:  
- AANP  
- ANCC (CNS)  
- PNCB  
- NCC |
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| Indiana | [https://secure.in.gov/pla/nursing.htm](https://secure.in.gov/pla/nursing.htm) | Current Indiana RN license or compact state license  
Successful completion of graduate program – submit transcripts  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- ANCC  
- AANP  
- NCC  
- PNCB |
| Iowa    | [https://nursing.iowa.gov](https://nursing.iowa.gov)                    | RN license in Iowa  
Master's degree or higher in nursing  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- AANP  
- ANCC  
- NCC  
- PNCB |
Master's degree  
Confirmed that 500 hours are needed for each clinical track – per KS BON 11/22/16  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- AANP  
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<td>Current and valid, unrestricted Louisiana RN license&lt;br&gt;Master’s degree – official transcripts required&lt;br&gt;Hold a current national certification in the specific APRN role&lt;br&gt;• ANCC&lt;br&gt;• AANP&lt;br&gt;• NCC&lt;br&gt;• PNCB&lt;br&gt;Criminal background check</td>
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<td>Unencumbered current Maine RN license or compact license&lt;br&gt;Master's degree in area of specialization&lt;br&gt;Successfully complete certification within 5 years of graduation&lt;br&gt;• ANCC&lt;br&gt;• PNCB&lt;br&gt;• NCC&lt;br&gt;• AANP&lt;br&gt;45 hours of Pharmacology</td>
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| Maryland  | [http://mbon.maryland.gov/Pages/default.aspx](http://mbon.maryland.gov/Pages/default.aspx) | RN license in Maryland or compact state  
Master’s degree – sealed official transcripts required  
Copy of current national certification OR letter of eligibility to take the certification exam  
- ANCC  
- AANP  
- NCC  
- PNCB  
Effective October 1, 2015: If you have never been certified in Maryland or any other state you are required to have a Mentor for 18 months from the date of application. Your Mentor must be a Maryland licensed Nurse Practitioner or Physician with a license in good standing. |
Master's degree in specialty area  
Good Moral Character form  
Completion of Advanced health assessment, advanced pathophysiology and advanced pharmacology  
Successful completion of certification exam  
- AANC  
- AANP  
- NCC  
- PNCB |
| Michigan  | [http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27542-59003--,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27542-59003--,00.html) | Good moral character  
Holds a current Michigan RN license  
Successful completion of certification exam  
- AANC  
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Graduated from a nationally approved school of nursing with a Master’s degree or higher;  
Taken and passed a national certification exam in the specialty area of practice;  
- ANCC  
- AANP  
- NCC  
- PNCB  
Completed a 720 hours residency that was monitored by either a licensed physician or certified APRN and evidence of this must be submitted to the Board of Nursing and accepted in order to begin unmonitored practice and be eligible to apply for controlled substance privilege; |
| Missouri  | [http://pr.mo.gov/nursing.asp](http://pr.mo.gov/nursing.asp) | Current RN license in Missouri or compact state  
Master’s degree  
National certification in area of specialty from  
- ANCC  
- AANP  
- NCC  
- PNCB  
Notarized application |
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<td>Current Montana RN license, or a compact state&lt;br&gt;Official transcript, with degree awarded and date degree was conferred, is sent from the advanced nursing educational program directly to the Montana Board of Nursing&lt;br&gt;Evidence of preceptorship is sent from the educational institution directly to the Montana Board of Nursing&lt;br&gt;National certification in the APRN role and population focus&lt;br&gt;• AANP&lt;br&gt;• ANCC&lt;br&gt;• NCC&lt;br&gt;• PNCB&lt;br&gt;Fingerprint and background check</td>
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<td>Have a current Minnesota Registered Nurse (RN) license or eligibility for licensure&lt;br&gt;Master’s degree&lt;br&gt;Current certification by a national certifying body&lt;br&gt;• AANP&lt;br&gt;• ANCC&lt;br&gt;• NCC&lt;br&gt;• PNCB</td>
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<td>Nebraska</td>
<td><a href="http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/crl_crlindex.aspx">http://dhhs.ne.gov/publichealth/Pages/crl_crlindex.aspx</a></td>
<td>Current RN in Nebraska or compact state&lt;br&gt;Master’s degree&lt;br&gt;National certification in area of specialty&lt;br&gt;• ANCC&lt;br&gt;• AANP&lt;br&gt;• NCC&lt;br&gt;• PNCB</td>
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| Nevada      | [http://nevadanursingboard.org/](http://nevadanursingboard.org/) | Active RN license in NV  
Master's degree  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- ANCC  
- PNCB  
- NCC  
- AANP |
| New Hampshire | [http://www.nh.gov/nursing/](http://www.nh.gov/nursing/) | Hold a current and unencumbered RN license issued by the NH board or a multi-state license issued by another compact state  
Master's degree in area of specialization  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- AANP  
- ANCC  
- PNCB  
- NCC |
| New Jersey  | [http://www.njpublicsafety.com/ca/nursing/nur_applications.htm](http://www.njpublicsafety.com/ca/nursing/nur_applications.htm) | Hold a current and unencumbered RN license issued;  
Master's degree in area of specialization  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- AANP  
- ANCC  
- PNCB  
- NCC |
| New Mexico  | [http://nmbon.sks.com/](http://nmbon.sks.com/) | Hold a current and unencumbered RN license in NM or hold a compact-multi-state RN license;  
Master's degree  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
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                 - Complete pharmacology coursework acceptable to NYSED;  
| North Dakota   | - Master’s degree or higher  
                 - Active RN license in ND or compact state  
                 - Certification through a national certifying agency  
                 - ANCC  
                 - AANP  
                 - NCC  
                 - PCNB  
                 - Criminal background check |
| Ohio           | - RN license in Ohio  
                 - Master’s degree – transcripts required  
                 - Certification through a national certifying agency  
                 - ANCC  
                 - AANP  
                 - NCC  
                 - PCNB |

**North Carolina**

[http://www.ncbon.com](http://www.ncbon.com)

**North Dakota**

[https://www.ndbon.org](https://www.ndbon.org)

**Ohio**

[http://www.nursing.ohio.gov/forms.htm#RX](http://www.nursing.ohio.gov/forms.htm#RX)
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<td>Oregon</td>
<td><a href="http://www.oregon.gov/OSBN/pages/index.aspx">http://www.oregon.gov/OSBN/pages/index.aspx</a></td>
<td>Hold a current unencumbered registered RN license in Oregon;&lt;br&gt;Master’s Degree in Nursing or a Doctorate in Nursing – official transcripts needed&lt;br&gt;Certification through a national certifying agency&lt;br&gt; • AANP&lt;br&gt; • ANCC&lt;br&gt; • NCC&lt;br&gt; • PCBN</td>
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<td>Active RN license in Pennsylvania&lt;br&gt;Master’s degree – transcripts required&lt;br&gt;Certification through a national certifying agency&lt;br&gt; • ANCC&lt;br&gt; • AANP&lt;br&gt; • NCC&lt;br&gt; • PNCB</td>
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<td>Rhode Island</td>
<td><a href="http://www.health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=231/index.php">http://www.health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=231/index.php</a></td>
<td>Hold a current and unencumbered RN license issued by the RI board or a multi-state license issued by another compact state;&lt;br&gt;Master's degree in area of specialization&lt;br&gt;Certification through a national certifying agency&lt;br&gt; • AANP&lt;br&gt; • ANCC&lt;br&gt; • PNCB</td>
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| South Carolina | [http://www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/](http://www.llr.state.sc.us/pol/nursing/) | RN license in SC  
Master’s degree  
Holds current specialty certification by a board-approved credentialing organization  
- AANP  
- ANCC  
- NCC  
- PNCB |
| South Dakota | [https://doh.sd.gov/boards/nursing/](https://doh.sd.gov/boards/nursing/) | RN license in SD or compact state  
Master’s Degree – with transcripts  
Certified background check with fingerprints  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- ANCC  
- AANP  
- NCC  
- PCBN |
| Tennessee   | [https://www.tn.gov/health/article/nursing-statutes](https://www.tn.gov/health/article/nursing-statutes) | RN license in Tenn or compact state  
Master’s degree  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- ANCC  
- AANP  
- NCC  
- PNBC |
| Texas       | [http://www.bon.texas.gov](http://www.bon.texas.gov) | RN license in Texas or have a current valid RN license with multistate privilege  
Master’s degree or higher  
Minimum of 500 separate, non-duplicated clinical hours for each advanced role and specialty within the advanced educational program.  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- ANCC  
- AANP |
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<td>Hold a current and unencumbered RN license issued by the board or a multi-state license issued by another compact state; Master’s degree in area of specialization Successfully complete certification through a national certifying agency If not successful within 5 years need to repeat a new program • AANP • ANCC • PNCB • NCC Psych – 1000 clinical hours required Need 3000 hours within 5 years of graduation</td>
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<td>Vermont</td>
<td><a href="https://www.ncsbn.org/Vermont.htm">https://www.ncsbn.org/Vermont.htm</a></td>
<td>Unencumbered current VT RN license Master’s degree in area of specialization Certification through a national certifying agency • AANP • ANCC • PNCB • NCC</td>
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<td>Virginia</td>
<td><a href="https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/nursing/">https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/nursing/</a></td>
<td>Hold a current, active license as a RN in Virginia or hold a current multistate licensure privilege as a registered nurse; Graduate degree in nursing or in the appropriate nurse practitioner specialty from an educational program designed to prepare nurse practitioners that is an approved program. Certification through a national certifying agency • ANCC • AANP • PNCB • NCC</td>
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| Washington  | [https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitssandCertificates/NursingCommission/NurseLicensing](https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitssandCertificates/NursingCommission/NurseLicensing) | Unencumbered current Washington RN license  
Master’s degree in specialty area  
Official transcripts from institution where graduate degree obtained  
Successful completion of certification exam in specialty area  
- AANP  
- ANCC  
- PNCB  
- NCC |
| West Virginia | [http://www.wvrnboard.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.wvrnboard.wv.gov/Pages/default.aspx) | Hold a current, active license as RN in West Virginia or hold a current multistate licensure privilege as a registered nurse;  
Graduate degree in nursing or in the appropriate nurse practitioner specialty from an educational program designed to prepare nurse practitioners that is an approved program  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- ANCC  
- AANP  
- PNCB  
- NCC |
| Wisconsin   | [http://dps.wi.gov/Boards-Councils/Board-Pages/Board-of-Nursing-Main-Page/](http://dps.wi.gov/Boards-Councils/Board-Pages/Board-of-Nursing-Main-Page/) | RN license in Wisconsin or compact state  
Master’s degree  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- ANCC  
- AANP  
- NCC  
- PCNB  
Passes a Jurisprudence Exam |
| Wyoming     | [https://nursing-online.state.wy.us](https://nursing-online.state.wy.us) | RN license in Wyoming or compact state  
Master’s degree  
Certification through a national certifying agency  
- ANCC |
Important Note for Prospective Students: If you are considering an academic program that leads to a professional license in your state, it is highly recommended that you first seek guidance from the appropriate licensing agency in your home state BEFORE beginning the academic program located outside your state.

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