



ANCC proudly offers certification for

Cardiac Vascular Nurse

Cardiac vascular nurses provide comprehensive nursing care to individuals diagnosed with cardiac vascular disease and identified as at risk for cardiac vascular events. These services are provided in a variety of settings including acute, ambulatory care, community-based, work-site, and school-based programs. Cardiac vascular nursing practice promotes achievement and maintenance of optimal cardiac vascular wellness. The cardiac vascular nurse is responsible for the development, coordination, and evaluation of a plan of care that uses a multi-disciplinary and case management approach. While concentrating on cardiac vascular health, the practice considers all influences on health status and the related social and behavioral problems. The theoretical basis for this nursing practice incorporates physiological and psychosocial concepts of health as they affect cardiac/vascular wellness in patients ages 18 and above.

eligibility criteria

- > Hold a current, active RN license within a state or territory of the United States or the professional, legally recognized equivalent in another country
- > Have practiced the equivalent of two years full time as a registered nurse
- > Have a minimum of 2,000 hours of clinical practice in cardiac vascular nursing within the last three years
- > Have completed 30 hours of continuing education in cardiac vascular nursing within the last three years

All requirements must be completed prior to application for the examination.

For more information: www.nursecredentialing.org

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Overview of test content outline

I. Pathophysiology and Manifestation of Cardiac and Vascular Disease

- A. Disease process, pathophysiology, diagnosis, manifestations, symptoms
- B. Pharmacology

II. Communication

- A. Therapeutic and interviewing skills
- B. Communication barriers/cultural competence

III. Provision of Care

- A. Physical/psychosocial assessment
- B. Management of cardiac and vascular disease: treatments and interventions
- C. Health promotion/lifestyle and behavioral change/risk factor reduction

- D. Evaluation/outcomes/discharge planning

IV. Patient and Family/Caregiver Education

- A. Principles of adult learning
- B. Development and implementation of individualized teaching plan
- C. Evaluation and documentation of patient educational outcomes

V. Psychosocial Aspects of Cardiac Vascular Disease

- A. Coping and adjustment
- B. End of life, death and dying

VI. Leadership

- A. Quality improvement
- B. Advocacy

- C. Delegation, supervision, and role modeling
- D. Professional development

VII. Legal and Ethical Issues

- A. Patients' rights
- B. Risk management
- C. Nursing Code of Ethics

For full test content outline, go to www.nursecredentialing.org

Application Fees

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|---------------------------------|-------|--|
| ANA Member | \$270 | Required attachment: A copy of your American Nurses Association membership card |
| Discount | \$340 | Required attachment: A copy of your AACVPR or Preventative Cardiovascular Nurses Association or Society for Vascular Nursing membership card |
| Non-Member | \$390 | |
| International Testing | \$125 | See www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/foreignsite.html for details. |
| Special Test Site (U.S.) | \$480 | Paid by the facility. See www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/SpecTestSites.html |

Preparing for the Exam

This exam is a computer-based test. This means you can apply all year and test during a 90-day window at a time and location convenient to you. Applications for this certification will be accepted at any time.

Complete information about the application and testing process is in the General Testing and Renewal Handbook available at www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/application.html. From this website, you can type into and print your application. Please sign, attach required documents, and mail the complete application for processing.

Information to prepare for the exam, such as review courses, detailed test content outline, references, and sample questions, is available at www.nursecredentialing.org or call our Customer Care Center at 1.800.284.2378.

If you require a verification of exam eligibility and/or certification, visit www.nursecredentialing.org or call 1.800.284.2378.

Mailing Instructions

Print legibly using either black or blue ink. Submit an application, copy of RN license, and payment. Remember to attach all required supporting documents and mail to:

American Nurses Credentialing Center
P.O. Box 791333 • Baltimore, MD 21279-1333

DETACH HERE
 Complete application
 and mail to ANCC.

ANCC Certification Application Form
Cardiac Vascular Nurse

Staff use only: E R P CC NE

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General Information

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Use your legal name on the application. This name must match photo identification used for examination entry and will be the name printed on your certificate.

Last Name First Name MI

Social Security Number

Home Address

City State Zip/Postal Country

Home Phone Home Fax Personal E-Mail

Employer Name

Employer Address

City State Zip/Postal

Work Phone Work Fax Work E-Mail

- I am applying for the computer-based exam. (Regular method)
- I am applying for the special administration of this exam being held at the following conference or special site: (To host a special site, the facility must pay a fee of \$480.)

Conference or Location Name: _____ Exam Date: _____

Type of primary position:

- Nurse Manager
- Nurse Practitioner
- Administrator/DON/CNO/VP Nursing
- Associate/Assistant Administrator
- Educator
- Researcher
- Clinical/Staff Nurse
- Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Consultant
- Other: _____

Payment

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- Personal Check/Money Order (payable to ANCC) Amount Enclosed: _____
- Charge Card (MasterCard or VISA only) Amount to be charged: _____
- Promotional Code (if applicable): _____

Account Number Exp. Date

Print Name on Card Signature

Special Accommodations/Americans with Disabilities Act

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Check here if you have a disability as defined by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and require a special accommodation. Please call 1.800.284.2378 for instructions or visit www.nursecredentialing.org.cert.ADA.html

Professional Development Record

INSTRUCTIONS

Use this form to document 30 continuing education hours in this certification speciality. Keep copies of continuing education certificates for your records in case you are audited. Examples: in-services, academic credits, CME credits, independent study that has been approved for continuing education, and continuing nursing education related to this certification speciality. If course titles do not clearly reflect the course's relevance to your practice, include a brief description of how the course impacts your practice.

Candidate's Name (Last, First, MI) _____ Social Security Number _____

Equivalencies:

- 1 CEU = 10 contact hours
- 1 contact hour = 60 minutes
- 1 academic quarter hour = 12.5 contact hrs
- 1 contact hour = 0.1 CEU
- 1 academic semester hour = 15 contact hours
- 1 CME = 60 minutes or 1 contact hour

| Subject Matter/ Course Content | Name of Sponsor, Provider or Institution | Date of Offering | Number of Contact Hours |
|-----------------------------------|---|------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | | | |
| 2 | | | |
| 3 | | | |
| 4 | | | |
| 5 | | | |
| 6 | | | |
| 7 | | | |
| 8 | | | |
| 9 | | | |
| 10 | | | |

Total _____
30 contact hours Required

Education

Check all that apply:

- Diploma
 Associate Degree in Nursing
 Associate Degree in Other Field
 Baccalaureate in Nursing
 Baccalaureate in Other Field
 Master's in Nursing
 Master's in Other Field
 PhD in Nursing
 PhD in Other Field
 EdD
 DNP
 DNSc
 ND
 Other: _____

Please list all degrees you have been awarded (do not include high school).
Please attach additional page if necessary.

School Name

School Code

Major/Area of Study

Date Degree Conferred

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School Code

Major/Area of Study

Date Degree Conferred

School codes: Available via Fax-on-Demand 1.888.880.2404 Doc #116
or on-line at www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/schoolcodes.cfm

Licensure Information

Required attachment: Attach a copy of license

Current RN License Number

State

Expiration Date (month/date/year)

Statement of Understanding

I hereby apply for certification offered by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). I understand that I am subject to all requirements of certification as described in this catalog and that certification depends on successfully completing specified program requirements. If certified, my name will be included in the official listing of certified nurses.

I authorize the Commission on Certification to make whatever inquiries and investigations that it deems necessary to verify my credentials and professional standing. I expressly acknowledge that information accumulated by ANCC through the certification process may be used for statistical, research, and evaluation purposes and that ANCC may enter into agreements to release anonymous and aggregate data to schools or external researchers. Otherwise, subject to the mailing list authorization, all information will be kept confidential and shall not be used for any other purposes without my permission.

To the best of my knowledge, the information on this application is true, complete, and correct. I attest by my signature that I meet all eligibility requirements for certification, in effect for the year in which this application is made as stipulated in the most current requirements on the ANCC website: www.nursecredentialing.org I attest by my signature that I will maintain an active registered nurse licensure throughout the entire period during which I am certified. I understand that any misstatement of any material fact submitted upon application for certification may be sufficient cause for ANCC to bar me from the examination, to invalidate the results of my examination, to withhold certification, to revoke certification, or to take other appropriate action.

I hereby attest that I meet the eligibility criteria as stated on the front of this brochure and ANCC website for this certification exam. *(Applications received without a signature incur a delay in processing which will cause a delay in the review of your application and ability to take a certification examination.)*

Required Signature

Print Name

Date

MAILING LIST REFUSAL

ANCC may release mailing lists from its certification database to organizations or individuals who have information to distribute that would be beneficial to nurses or to nursing and credentialing research. If you do not wish your name and mailing address to be released for marketing purposes, please mark the decline option below.

- I do not wish my name and mailing address to be released for any marketing purposes.

Demographic and Employment Information

1. Location of facility:
 Urban
 Rural
 Suburban
 Outside the U.S.
2. Average number of patient encounters/visits per year at your primary place of employment:
 ≤1,000
 1,001–5,000
 5,001–10,000
 10,001–20,000
 20,001–40,000
 40,001–60,000
 60,001–80,000
 80,001–100,000
 >100,000
3. Will you receive a monetary reward/compensation from your employer for certification?
 Yes No
 If yes:
 \$ _____ per hour
 \$ _____ per year
 \$ _____ one time
4. Number of individuals you supervise:

5. Years of experience as a registered nurse/licensed practitioner (round to nearest whole year): _____
6. Total years of experience in the field in which certification is desired (round to nearest whole year): _____
7. Primary place of employment (check one):
 Ambulatory care
 Physician-managed group practice
 Home health
 Hospice
 Hospital
 Managed care
 Nurse-managed group practice
 Nursing home/long-term care
 Occupational health/environmental health
 Office nursing
 Public health/community health
 School health
 School of nursing/university/college
 Federal/military
 Other: _____
8. Patient population/conditions representative of your practice (check all that apply):
 Medical-Surgical
 Cardiac
 Endocrine/Diabetes
 Pulmonary
 Neurology
 Renal/Urology
 Orthopedics
 Rehabilitation
 Gerontology/Long Term Care
 Perinatal
 Post-partum
 Labor & Delivery
 Pediatrics
 ER
 Trauma
 Critical Care
 Other: _____
9. Age range of your primary patient population:
 0–1
 2–21
 22–65
 66+
10. Average number of hours worked per week:
 8 or fewer
 9–16
 17–24
 25–32
 33–40
 >40
11. Size of facility (total number of beds):
 N/A
 1–100
 101–250
 251–500
 >500
12. Is certification part of your employer's job performance/clinical ladder rating criteria?
 Yes No
13. How did you obtain this application?
 From ANCC website
 Mailed from ANCC
 From my school
 From my workplace
 At a tradeshow
 Other: _____
14. Please check the professional organizations in which you are a member (check all that apply):
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|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> AACVPR American Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation | <input type="checkbox"/> ASPMN American Society for Pain Management Nursing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AADE American Association of Diabetes Educators | <input type="checkbox"/> ISPN International Society of Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AAACN American Academy of Ambulatory Care Nursing | <input type="checkbox"/> NACNS National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ACNP American College of Nurse Practitioners | <input type="checkbox"/> NCGNP National Conference of Gerontological Nurse Practitioners |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ADA American Diabetes Association | <input type="checkbox"/> NGNA National Gerontological Nursing Association |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ADA American Dietetic Association | <input type="checkbox"/> NNSDO National Nursing Staff Development Organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ANI Alliance for Nursing Informatics | <input type="checkbox"/> PCNA Preventive Cardiovascular Nurses Association |
| <input type="checkbox"/> APhA American Pharmacists Association | <input type="checkbox"/> SPN Society of Pediatric Nurses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> APNA American Psychiatric Nurses Association | <input type="checkbox"/> SVN Society for Vascular Nursing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> APHA American Public Health Association (Public Health Nursing Section) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ANA American Nurses Association | |

Other Demographic Information

Note: Providing the following information is strictly voluntary. It will be used for statistical purposes only.

Sex: M F

Date of Birth: _____
 month/date/year

Race/Ethnic Group

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| <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian/Alaska Native | <input type="checkbox"/> White/Caucasian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Asian/Pacific Islander | <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Black/African-American | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic | |

To Do List

Date completed:

- _____ Read this entire application, front to back.
- _____ Determine whether you are/when you will be eligible to take the exam.
- _____ Complete any missing requirements such as practice hours or continuing education hours.
- _____ Download the full length Test Content Outline and Reference List for this exam at the ANCC website: **www.nursecredentialing.org** These documents are used to create the exam.

STUDY PLAN

Approximately six months before you plan to take your exam, develop a study plan. This could include self study, finding a study buddy or group, taking a review course, taking an on-line narrated course, reviewing current textbooks and articles, or other methods. The key is to have a study plan and follow through with it. For ANCC exam preparation resources, refer to the back cover of this brochure.

Take the practice exam on the ANCC website at **www.nursecredentialing.org**

FILL OUT THE APPLICATION

Two to three months before you plan to take the exam, fill out the application, attaching all required documents.

Required attachments: (please mail everything together in one envelope)

Photocopy of nursing license

Photocopy of membership card (if you are claiming a discount)

Payment (if you are paying by check)

Attachments for special circumstances:

Those requesting special accommodations under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) must submit a physician's letter that addresses specific required information. Please go to **www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/ADA.html** or call 1.800.284.2378 for full instructions.

MAIL APPLICATION

Mail your application and attachments to:

American Nurses Credentialing Center

P.O. Box 791333

Baltimore, MD 21279-1333

Within two weeks from the date you mailed your application, you will receive a Receipt of Application Notice in the mail. If you do not, call 1.800.284.2378.

Within six weeks from the date you mailed your application, you will receive either an Eligibility Notice or a letter requesting additional information. Your Eligibility Notice will give you 90 days during which to schedule and take your exam. Read it carefully and follow directions.

RESULTS

After you have taken your exam, you will receive results in the mail within two weeks. If you passed, you will receive a certificate and pin within two months. Certifications are good for 5 years.

Request your one free verification of certification at **www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/verify1.html** using the paper form. Please note, you can not request a free verification using the on-line system.

After you pass the exam, download the Certification Renewal materials from the ANCC website at **www.nursecredentialing.org** and begin tracking your renewal requirements.

Exam Preparation Resources

Review Seminars

Review Seminars for certification exams are available for fifteen different nursing specialties at various hospitals and schools of nursing across the country. Participants receive contact hours. Seminar schedule and registration at: www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/revseminars.html

Study Groups

Using the content from the seminars, the faculty lecture on the material during several telephone conference calls scheduled during a specific time period. Look for the "Study Group" courses in the seminar schedule. Participants receive contact hours. Study Group schedule and registration at: www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/revseminars.html

On-Line Narrated Review Courses

Our On-Line Narrated Review Courses contain the same content as our popular Review Seminars, with the voice over of an instructor talking the student through the material. After you register for the course, you will have three months in which to complete the materials. Participants receive contact hours. For more information and to register: www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/webcourses.html

Review and Resource Manuals

Written by nursing experts in each specialty, these manuals help candidates prepare for a variety of certification exams by enhancing your critical thinking skills and identifying strengths and weaknesses. Contact hours available on-line for an additional fee. Order manuals at: www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/revmanuals.html

Certified Nurse E-Store

Once you have passed your exam, celebrate your accomplishment with pins, plaques, and other recognition items. www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/estore

The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), a subsidiary of the American Nurses Association (ANA), provides individuals and organizations throughout the nursing profession with the resources they need to achieve practice excellence. ANCC's internationally renowned credentialing programs certify nurses in specialty practice areas; recognize healthcare organizations for promoting safe, healthy work environments through the Magnet Recognition Program® and the Pathway to Excellence Program™; and accredit providers of continuing nursing education. In addition, ANCC provides leading-edge information and education services and products to support its core credentialing programs. All programs of the ANCC are administered without discrimination on the basis of age, color, creed, disability, gender, health status, lifestyle, nationality, race, religion, or sexual orientation. ANA is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by ANCC's Commission on Accreditation. ANA is approved as a provider by the California Board of Registered Nursing, Provider number 6178.



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