

ADVANCED PRACTICE CERTIFICATION AND SCOPE OF PRACTICE GUIDELINES

The following guidelines serve to inform hiring directors/managers and supervising physicians with the knowledge necessary to make appropriate decisions related to recruitment, candidate selection, and practice site placement of Advanced Practice Providers (APP's).

Key: ANCC – American Nurses Credentialing Center
 PNCB – Pediatric Nursing Certification Board
 AMCB – American Midwifery Certification Board
 NBCRNA – National Board of Certification/Recertification for Nurse
 Anesthetist NCC – National Certification Corporation
 NCCPA - National Commission on Certification for Physicians' assistants

CERTIFICATION	POTENTIAL PRACTICE SITES				INPATIENT UTILIZATION	CERTIFYING ENTITY
Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP-BC)	Adult and pediatric Ambulatory primary care	Ambulatory internal medicine clinics	Ambulatory subspecialty chronic disease clinics	Walk-in clinics/Urgent Care	Population & Service Dependent	AANP ANCC
Pediatric Primary Care (PPCNP-BC) or (CPNP-PC)	Ambulatory primary care pediatric clinics	Ambulatory subspecialty clinics	Pediatric chronic disease clinics	Pediatric Walk-in clinics	Population & Service Dependent	ANCC PNCB
Pediatric Acute Care (CPNP-AC)	Pediatric critical care inpatient	Pediatric subspecialty care inpatient	Pediatric subspecialty care ambulatory	Pediatric Walk in Clinics/Urgent Care	Yes	PNCB
Adult Gerontology Primary Care (AGPCNP-BC) or (AGNP-C)	Adult Ambulatory primary care	Ambulatory internal medicine clinics	Ambulatory subspecialty chronic disease clinics	Walk-in clinics/Urgent Care	Population & Service Dependent	ANCC AAFP
Adult Gerontology Acute Care (AGACNP-BC)	Adult critical care; inpatient	Adult subspecialty care inpatient	Adult subspecialty care ambulatory		Yes	ANCC
Women's Health (WHNP-BC)	Inpatient OB/GYN	Ambulatory OB/GYN clinics	Ambulatory women's subspecialty clinics (breast center, etc)		Population & Service Dependent	NCC
Neonatal NP (NNP-BC)	Neonatal Intensive Care (Level 3a-c)	Special Care Nurseries (Level 2a-b)	Normal Newborn Primary care or subspecialty chronic disease	Neonatal Transport programs	Yes	NCC
Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)	Ambulatory OB/GYN clinics	Community-based Birthing Centers	Hospital-based Birthing Centers	Newborn Nurseries	Yes	AMCB
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA)	Hospital and Community based Surgical Centers	Hospital-based Birthing Centers	Pre-Anesthesia Clinics	Community based Pain Clinics	Yes	NBCRNA
Physicians' assistant (PA)	Adult or Peds Ambulatory Clinics	Ambulatory Family/Internal medicine	Operating room, specialty	Walk in clinics/ Urgent Care	Yes	NCCPA

Supervision requirements: PA's practice under the license of the supervising physician and require a minimum of 20% chart co-signature based on delegation of services agreement. There is restricted opiate prescribing based on letter of agreement.

NP's practice under their own license and standardized procedures with the supervision of a physician. No cosignature required. Each physician can supervise up to 4 NP's.

*NP's and PA's must possess a masters' degree in their specialty AND national certification to bill under CMS.