

AMERICAN ACADEMY OF NURSE PRACTITIONERS CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

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The American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Program is happy to report that we have completed another successful year providing certifications to Adult, Family, and Gerontologic nurse practitioners. Nurse practitioners, (ANP, GNP, and FNP), who have completed an accredited masters, postmasters, or higher to include DNP are eligible to take the exams in their respective area of specialization. The examinations are developed in cooperation with Professional Examination Services (PES), a not for profit organization with over 50 years experience in the development and administration of national licensing and certification examinations specializing in health related fields. The programs are accredited by the National Commission for Certifying Agencies and recognized by the State Boards of Nursing, Medicare, Medicaid, the Veterans Administration, private managed care organizations, institutions, and health care agencies for credentialing purposes.

The examinations test clinical knowledge in the areas of assessment, diagnosis, formulation and implementation of treatment plans, and evaluation and follow up of primary health care issues. The family nurse practitioner examination covers knowledge in the area of prenatal, pediatric, adolescent, adult, geriatric, and frail elderly primary care. The adult nurse practitioner examination covers knowledge in the area of late adolescent, adult, geriatric, and frail elderly primary care. The gerontologic examination covers knowledge in geriatric and frail elderly primary care. Knowledge of health promotion and disease prevention, diagnosis, and management of acute episodic and chronic illness in the primary care setting is tested. Participants are expected to apply knowledge of pathophysiology, pharmacology, psychology, and sociology to the process utilized in the assessment, diagnosis, and management of patients in their care.

Since beginning the certification program in 1993 and as of the end of 2010, AANPCP had awarded a total of 31,431 certifications as Family Nurse Practitioners (FNP), Adult Nurse Practitioners (ANP) and Gerontologic Nurse Practitioners (GNP). 5,062 applicants took the exams in 2010. The first time pass rate for the exams was 87%. There were 429 applications for re-exam and 46 applications for recertification by exam. The recertification rate for a one year period in 2010 was approximately 87%.

We are pleased to offer continuous CBT testing throughout the year with an individualized 120 day window of opportunity to test at over 300 national testing sites. We also offer ONLINE application for initial exam, recertification, and verification of certification. This is available at our website: www.aanpcertification.org. The certification program continues to maintain active participation in the National Organization of Certifying Agencies, the American Board of Nursing Specialties, the Consortium for Quality Nurse Practitioner Education, and the Alliance for Advanced Practice Nursing Credentialing. It continues to be an active participant on the APRN

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Consensus Work Group, and is a participating member of the Joint Dialogue Task Force with the National Council of State Boards of Nursing examining issues in advanced practice nursing regulation: licensure, accreditation, certification, and education.

Founded in 1993, the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Program is a free standing corporation governed by an elected Board of Commissioners and a consumer member appointed by the Commissioners. The current commissioners are Dr. Lorna Schumann, FNP (Idaho), Dr. Mona Counts, FNP (Pennsylvania), Wendy Thon, FNP (Alaska), Dr. Patricia Bredenberg, ANP (Maine), Dr. Greg Holm, ANP (Florida), Marge Dean, GNP (Pennsylvania), and Barbara Safriet, JD, LLM (Public Member).



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Passing Rate Report

For Exams Taken 01/01/2010 - 12/31/2010

ADULT NURSE PRACTITIONER NATIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION SCORE REPORT

Score report indicates the standard state performance for the 2010 Adult Nurse Practitioners National Certification Examination. Standard scores are scores which permit comparison of performance among individuals taking the same examination.

Total Test Standard Score	% of Examinees in Total Group Scoring Lower
700 and above	89
680	82
660	75
640	66
620	57
600	46
580	37
560	29
540	23
520	17
500	12
480	08

Total ANP Pass Rate 88.5%

FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER NATIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION SCORE REPORT

Score report indicates the standard state performance for the 2010 Family Nurse Practitioners National Certification Examination. Standard scores are scores which permit comparison of performance among individuals taking the same examination.

Total Test Standard Score	% of Examinees in Total Group Scoring Lower
700 and above	96
680	93
660	87
640	78
620	68
600	58
580	49
560	39
540	31
520	24
500	16
480	12

Total FNP Pass Rate 84.1%

GERONTOLOGIC NURSE PRACTITIONER NATIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION SCORE REPORT

Score report indicates the standard state performance for the 2010 Gerontologic Nurse Practitioners National Certification Examination. Standard scores are scores which permit comparison of performance among individuals taking the same examination.

Total Test Standard Score	% of Examinees in Total Group Scoring Lower
700 and above	93
680	87
660	76
640	65
620	61
600	53
580	44
560	39
540	29
520	19
500	15
480	12

Total GNP Pass Rate 85.3%