

NURSE SCHOLARS ACADEMY



Let's get
CERTIFIED!

Did you know?



4,000 KP nurses responded to a National Certification survey

38% of NCAL KP nurses are **nationally certified**

75% of non-certified NCAL KP nurses are **interested in becoming certified**

Why is certification important?



Demonstrates clinical excellence
to all entrusted to our care



Inspires peers and others to achieve their
personal best through certification



Expresses an ethical-moral
commitment to lifelong learning

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As healthcare becomes increasingly complex and challenging, the value of certification as a mark of excellence is more important than ever. Achieving board certification demonstrates to patients, employers and the public that a nurse’s knowledge reflects national standards and a deep commitment to patient safety.

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Nursing Organizations like the American Nurses Association (ANA) and its credentialing arm the American Nurses Credential Center (ANCC) endorse nursing certification and the benefits it offers to nurses to advance their nursing careers and elevate the quality of care.



There are over 183 National Certifications for RNs!

Some Common RN Certifications in Northern California

CCRN: Acute/Critical Care Nursing

RN-BC: Medical-Surgical Nursing

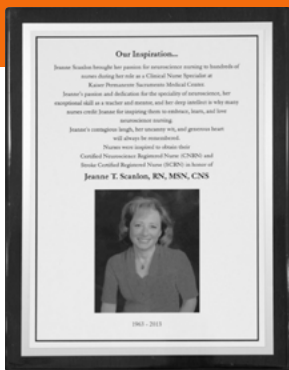
CNOR: Certified Perioperative Nurse

RNC-OB: Inpatient Obstetric Nursing

RNC-NIC: Neonatal Intensive Care Nursing

CEN: Certified Emergency Nurse

+ many MORE!



Sacramento ICU's Certification Story

In 2013, Jeanne Scanlon, a clinical nurse specialist in the Intensive Care Unit at Sacramento Medical Center, passed away.

Jeanne was a dedicated and passionate professional who was respected and admired by her team. In honor of Jeanne, nurses across the unit made the commitment to obtain their Certified Neuroscience Registered Nurse (CNRN) and Stroke Certified Registered Nurse (SCRN) certification. In total, more than 38 nurses have become nationally certified.





Jeanne's exceptional talent as a teacher and mentor lives on through these nurses who have validated their knowledge, skills, and experience through national certification. Colleagues and peers in the Sacramento ICU recognize that certification demonstrates a commitment to excellence in nursing professional practice and lifelong learning.

What inspires you to get certified?

How to get certified

Represented nurses

Two ways to get reimbursed:

1. Bargained benefit covers eligible certification and recertification exam fees (see website).
2. \$2500/year National Tuition Reimbursement benefit covers certification exam fees and prep courses.

Non-represented nurses

\$3000/year National Tuition Reimbursement benefit covers certification exam fees and prep courses.

Exam Prep

Registered nurses in pursuit of advancing their clinical knowledge may have access to certification preparation courses located online in KP HealthStream.

- 32+ courses cover a wide variety of popular national certifications, including CCRN, CNOR, RN-NIC, and many more.
- Access to these courses is available 24/7 so that nurses can study at a time most convenient to their busy schedules.

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Ready to learn a new skill, grow your professional practice, and achieve career milestones?

The Nurse Scholars Academy is here to help.

What are you interested in?



I'm looking for **continuing education opportunities**



I want to become **nationally certified**



I'm interested in **going back to school**



I want to attend a **professional nursing conference**