

Practice Transition Accreditation Program®

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BACKGROUND

The American Nursing Credentialing Center (ANCC) Practice Transition Accreditation Program® provides an evidence-based framework for residency and fellowship programs that transition registered nurses (RNs) to new practice settings. The ANCC PTAP framework facilitates the improvement or creation of structures and processes by creating robust and comprehensive programs for nurses' transitioning ANCC PTAP accredits transition programs including RN Residencies for nurses with less than 12 months' of clinical practice experience and RN Fellowships for experienced nurses to master new clinical settings. ANCC International PTAP accreditation has been shown to increase leadership support by enhancing organizational backing, stakeholder recognition, and the ability to advocate effectively.

VALUE PROPOSITION

Beneficiaries	Competitive Advantage	Value
Organizations	Global Recognition in Nursing Education	Position your programs and organization as global leader in nursing education and practice transitions, boost credibility, reputation and overall brand recognition
	Organizational Improvements	Drive quality improvements, foster pride in the program, improve retention, and enable program expansion within accredited organizations
	Superior Talent Pool	Leverage recruitment advantages by attracting high-quality applicants, diversifying the applicant pool, enhancing retention, and expanding hiring opportunities
	Resource Allocation	Benefit from increased organizational and leadership support, collaboration, and additional faculty/nurse resident positions
Nurses	Professional Development and Dissemination	Gain access to advanced training and educational resources, fostering career development, and receive opportunities for professional dissemination through publications and conference presentations.
	Positive Work Environment	Work in an organization committed to quality and excellence in nursing practice and education.
Patients	Enhanced Quality of Care	Receive high standards of care in accredited organizations, where they can trust that care is delivered by both seasoned nurses and highly qualified newly graduated nurses who received dedicated time and guidance from experienced preceptors to ensure their success

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GETTING STARTED

- Perform a **gap analysis** to pinpoint areas for program improvement, aiding in the creation of an action plan and boosting the likelihood of accreditation success.
- Review **PTAP manual** and contact **ANCC PTAP** team to determine appropriate review cycle for your program.
- Access free **PTAP resources** to help plan, implement, and evaluate your plan according to ANCC standards.

SUPPORTING LITERATURE

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