



Guidelines for Grandfathering APRNs by Endorsement

Scenario One: *No graduate degree in an APRN role:*

An applicant has been licensed or recognized in another state, but has NOT received a graduate degree in an APRN role:

Recommendation: Endorse if they have national, advanced certification and current practice in the role and population requested.

Scenario Two: *No certification*

An applicant has a graduate degree, but has never been certified as an APRN.

Recommendation: Do not endorse

Scenario Three: *Graduate degree is NOT in one of the six populations described in the APRN Consensus Model.*

An applicant has a graduate degree in an APRN role, but it is not in one of the six populations described in the APRN Consensus Model.

Recommendation: Endorse if they have national, advanced certification and current practice in the role and population requested.

Scenario Four: *No verification of 500 clinical hours (or equivalent clinical requirement) and/or the 3 P courses (pathophysiology, pharmacology and physical assessment).*

An applicant has a graduate degree in an APRN role and population, but cannot provide verification of 500 clinical hours or the 3 P's during his/her APRN education program.

Recommendation: Endorse if their education preceded state adoption of the APRN Consensus Model requirements.

Scenario Five: *Graduate education and certification is adult only OR gerontology.*

An applicant is an NP with a graduate degree in adult health OR gerontology only.

Recommendation: Endorse and continue population designation of adult OR gerontology and practice with that specific population only.

Scenario Six: *Graduate degree in adult or pediatrics, but without acute or primary care designation.*

An applicant is a nurse practitioner with a graduate degree in adult or pediatrics but completed the program prior to the acute or primary care designation.

Recommendation: Endorse with the designation of "adult" or "pediatric" and continue in practice consistent with education and certification.

Scenario Seven: *National certification is in a specialty area.*

An applicant has a graduate degree in an APRN role, but certification is in a specialty only (*no role certification*).

Recommendation: Do not endorse.

Scenario Eight: *Practice in a population different from his/her graduate education and certification.*

The applicant has been practicing with a population different from his/her graduate education and certification and requests licensure with the population they have been practicing in.

Recommendation: Endorse into the role and population of their graduate education and certification.