



CCNE Accreditation: The Right Choice for Your Nurse Residency Program

A Rigorous and Meaningful Accreditation Process

CCNE is the premier accreditor of nursing programs in the United States, and its reviewers, including on-site evaluators, committee members, and board members, are leaders in the field of nursing and nursing education.

CCNE accreditation is a values-based process that promotes continuous quality improvement in nursing programs. The accreditation process involves an application, a self-study document, and an on-site evaluation by a team of trained peer evaluators.

Fostering Creativity and Recognizing Diversity

CCNE accredits entry-to-practice nurse residency programs in all care settings and in a variety of organizational models, including academic health centers, large healthcare centers, community hospitals, and large healthcare systems. The CCNE values emphasize a respect for the diversity of individual programming.

CCNE accredits programs that use a variety of curricular models. These models include, but are not limited to:

- Vizient/American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) Nurse Residency Program
- Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Academic Affiliations Post Baccalaureate Nurse Residency (OAA PBNR)
- Department of Veterans Affairs Office of Nursing Services Transition to Practice (ONS TTP)
- Individual, customized models

Magnet® Alignment

For healthcare organizations that are recognized or are seeking recognition by the ANCC Magnet Recognition Program®, CCNE accreditation satisfies Magnet Section III: Structural Empowerment 9 (SE9):

“Provide evidence of a nationally accredited transition to practice program. A copy of the certificate awarded by the nationally accredited program is sufficient evidence.”

Support in the Accreditation Process

CCNE staff are available for consultation and support during the application and accreditation process, and webinars and workshops are provided to assist in program development.

For more information or to schedule a consultation with CCNE staff, email Renée Kalan, CCNE Accreditation Coordinator, at residency@ccneaccreditation.org or call 202-887-6791 x230.