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the right path!

As the home of the Pathway to Excellence® Program, the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) is the most accurate and up-to-date source of information regarding the program. ANCC's Institute for Credentialing Innovation® offers resources designed to help organizations better understand this designation.

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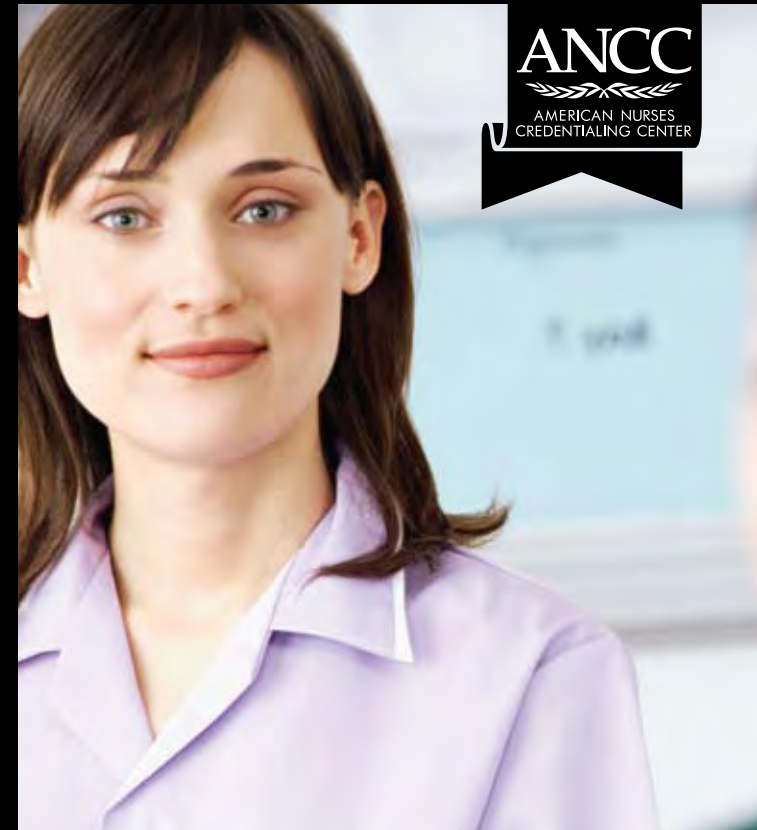
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The Pathway to Excellence® designation is granted based on the confirmed presence of characteristics known as the Pathway to Excellence Practice Standards. These standards are foundational to a nursing practice environment that has a positive impact on nurse job satisfaction and retention. For an organization to earn its Pathway distinction, it must successfully undergo a thorough review process that documents foundational quality initiatives in creating a positive work environment — as defined by nursing experts and supported by research.

Pathway Workshops

The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) offers workshops to help prepare organizations interested in the Pathway to Excellence program.

Workshop Objectives:

- >> Discuss the history of the Pathway to Excellence Program.
- >> Discuss examples and sources of support for the 12 Pathway to Excellence Practice Standards.
- >> Discuss different models and principles for nursing governance structures.
- >> Compare and contrast evidence-based practice, nursing research, and quality improvement initiatives.
- >> Describe the Pathway to Excellence Nurse Survey requirement.
- >> Develop a self-assessment plan that includes strategies to help create a Pathway to Excellence work environment.

Contact mworkshp@ana.org for details.

Pathway Teleconferences

ANCC offers a teleconference series to help prepare organizations interested in the Pathway to Excellence program. The teleconference series gives an overview of the evolution of the Pathway to Excellence program, goes into detail about each of the practice standards, and explains the application process.

Teleconference Objectives (within the context of your organization):

- >> Describe the history of the Pathway to Excellence Program
- >> Discuss the elements of nursing practice environments that are identified in the Pathway to Excellence standards
- >> Discuss factors in the workplace that support nurses on their Pathway to Excellence
- >> Develop a readiness plan that includes strategies to help create the Pathway to Excellence work environment

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Online Courses

This overview of the Pathway to Excellence® Program web-based narrated course is a great way to explain Pathway to Excellence® to leadership and key staff at your hospital. Your staff will be able to work with the contents of this one-hour course from their own computers — anytime, anywhere. All they need is access to the Web and a sound card with speakers or headphones.

Visit www.nursecredentialing.org for details.

Pathway to Excellence Consultation Services

ANCC offers independent consultation services and education specifically designed for Pathway to Excellence applicants.

Contact consultation@ana.org for details.

Publications and Resources

Publications

- >> *Pathway to Excellence Program Application Manual (2009)*
 - >> *Pathway to Excellence in Long Term Care Practice Standard Supplement*
 - >> *Pathway to Excellence Program Practice Standards and Elements of Performance*
 - >> *Scope and Standards for Nurse Administrators, Second Edition*
 - >> *Principles of Environmental Health for Nursing Practice with Implementation Strategies*
- Purchase books at www.nursesbooks.org.

Resources

- >> *Pathway to Excellence Organization Demographic Form (ODF)*
 - >> *Pathway to Excellence Application Form*
 - >> *Pathway to Excellence Organizational Self Assessment Tool*
 - >> *Pathway to Excellence in Long Term Care Organizational Self Assessment Tool*
 - >> *Pathway to Excellence Research References*
- Available at www.nursecredentialing.org/Pathway/Resources.aspx

Articles

- >> *Introducing the Pathway to Excellence Program*
 - >> *The Benefits of Pathway to Excellence Designation*
- Available at www.nursecredentialing.org/Pathway/ProgramOverview.aspx

Magnet Conference Sessions

ANCC's National Magnet Conference® is the one-stop shop for the latest research and best practices in nursing excellence and is a great educational resource for Pathway to Excellence applicants.

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