

Certification



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Help a Friend/Colleague Get Certified!

Do you have a friend, peer, or colleague that would benefit from earning their CMSRN certification? Encourage them to start their certification journey! Becoming certified will help them gain a greater sense of confidence in their professional competence.



MSNCB has also updated our eligibility requirements, making the two-year work experience requirement now a recommendation. This allows more medical-surgical nurses the opportunity to earn their certification. See below for an overview of updated requirements:

- You must hold an unencumbered and current license as a Registered Nurse (RN) in the United States, its territories, or Canada; or an international equivalent.
- You must have worked 2,000 practice hours within the past three (3) years in a medical-surgical setting. Practice may be as a clinical nurse, as a manager, or as an educator.

This information is also updated in the [CMSRN Certification Handbook](#) and the [MSNCB Policies Document](#)

[Learn More](#)

Celebrating Nurses All Month Long

We hope you enjoyed celebrating National Nurses Week with us May 6-12! We love to take any opportunity to acknowledge the hard work of our certificants and the dedication they have to patient care and medical-surgical nursing as a whole. We continue to celebrate YOU all through the month of May!



Gear Up for CAVRN

The Certified Acute-Care Virtual Registered Nurse (CAVRN) credential will launch soon! Since 2022, MSNCB has been working with nurses employed in the virtual component of health care delivery to develop this credential, and we are excited to finally have the credential available soon.

In the meantime, check out the [CAVRN Certification Policies Document](#) and CAVRN [CAVRN Certification Handbook](#) for more information.



CMSRN Spotlight

Meet Amanda Alaoui, BSN, RN-BC

Amanda Alaoui, BSN, RN-BC, is currently working as an RN at Mercy Health Lima- St. Rita's. When asked why Amanda became CMSRN certified, she said "I love to learn and use all of my knowledge to help provide the best care to patients and increase patient outcomes." She believes that CMSRN credentials show that those who received that certification has chosen to go above and beyond what is "required" and that we do so to provide the safest and best care possible.



A Plethora of Benefits for One Membership

You've already shown your commitment to medical-surgical excellence and patient care by becoming CMSRN certified. Now, continue to advance your nursing career by becoming a member of the Academy of Medical-Surgical Nurses (AMS^N). AMS^N members have access to a community of more than 10,000 members made up of the most knowledgeable, dedicated medical-surgical nurses.

Other tangible and affordable benefits to being an AMSN member include:



- Discounts on AMSN educational products that will allow you to get the information you need to stay up to date and enhance your knowledge and skills.
- One free nursing continuing professional development (NCPD) credit a month to help maintain your certification and build your knowledge to ensure you're staying updated on trends within the specialty.
- Monthly AMSN webinars focused on trends and clinical best practices.
- Discounted registration for the AMSN Annual Convention: a can't-miss, in-person event full of learning and networking opportunities for medical-surgical nurses.
- And more!

Amazing Benefits With a Small Price Tag

AMSN membership dues are one of the most affordable out there. The cost of a full membership is only **\$99**, and membership benefits are valued at more than **\$330!** Don't hesitate, join AMSN today and start reaping all of the benefits of an AMSN membership.

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