

### Renew Your BCEN® Credentials Every Four Years

# Stay Certified.

Breathe new life into your career by maintaining your Board of Certification for Emergency Nursing® certifications. All credentialed nurses are required to recertify every four years to keep their certification active. But what you may not know is that you have a number of options for keeping yourself certified and staying at the top of your game.

Explore your recertification options to find out which meets your needs and keeps you excelling, achieving and impacting more patient lives.

### Options for Recertification:

#### CE by Attestation

- You must attest that you meet the CE requirements of 100 completed contact hours earned within your 4-year recertification period.
- 75 of the 100 contact hours must be of clinical content; up to 25 may be non-clinical.
- 50 of the 100 hours must be from accredited sources.



#### Recertification by Exam

- Sit for and pass a BCEN certification exam.
- Recertification is available for CEN®, CFRN®, CPEN®, CTRN® and TCRN® credentials.



### Recertification Process:



#### CE by Attestation:

- Apply via your BCEN account.
- Complete the *Recertification by Attestation* form.
- Attest that you have obtained all 100 CEs. **All 100 CEs must be obtained on or before the date you attest.**
- Submit application before your current certification expires.
- Keep copies of your CEs in case you are selected for an audit.

#### Exam Recertification:

- Complete the *Recertification by Exam* form.
- Submit the application before your current certification expires.
- Schedule your exam.
- Upon receipt of eligibility, schedule your exam with Pearson Vue at [www.pearsonvue.com/bcen](http://www.pearsonvue.com/bcen).



### Once You're Certified ... Share Your Success with Digital Badging

Your badge is a digital version of your credentials and contains metadata describing your skills and qualifications.

This program allows you to showcase your certification(s) by:

- Sharing them electronically on social media sites like Facebook, LinkedIn and Twitter
- Displaying your credential in your email signature
- Sharing it with your employer via email or on an electronic resume
- Providing a trusted method for credential verification



–OR–

Let your employer know how you did by using the "Credential Verification Request" feature in your BCEN account or by showing your certificate.

**It's Free. It's Easy.  
Promote Your Certifications  
to Colleagues and Employers.**

CE Type & Description	Accredited	Non-Accredited
<p><b>Provider Courses</b> such as ENPC, TNCC, PALS, or ACLS. BLS (CPR) will NOT be accepted. One initial and one renewal course for each provider may only be submitted once during your current recertification period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60 minutes = 1 contact hour. Certificate for each completed course showing contact hours earned must be included.</li> </ul>	✓	
<p><b>Presentations or Lectures</b></p> <p>The same presentation, or lecture, may only be submitted once during your current recertification period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 60 minutes = 1 contact hour</li> </ul>	✓ If accredited CE was provided	✓
<p><b>Academic Credit</b></p> <p>Must have earned a "C" or higher and content must apply to emergency (CEN), pediatric emergency, flight/transport (CFRN/CTRN), or trauma (TCRN) nursing from an accredited institution.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 semester course = 15 contact hours</li> <li>• 1 quarter course = 10 contact hours</li> <li>• 1 trimester course = 12 contact hours</li> </ul>	✓	
<p><b>Preceptorship</b></p> <p>A maximum of 15 CH will be accepted during your current recertification period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 semester = 15 contact hours</li> <li>• 1 quarter = 10 contact hours</li> <li>• 1 trimester = 12 contact hours</li> </ul> <p><i>In order to use preceptorship toward your recertifications, the nurse(s) you precepted must have earned college credits for being precepted.</i></p>	✓	
<p><b>Authoring</b></p> <p>Publications must be peer-reviewed and content must be specific to emergency (CEN), pediatric emergency (CPEN), flight/transport (CFRN/CTRN), or trauma (TCRN) nursing. If co-authored, credit must be distributed evenly among authors.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Article = 5 contact hours</li> <li>• Chapter/moduler = 10 contact hours</li> <li>• Textbook = 50 contact hours</li> </ul>	✓	
<p><b>Poster Presentation</b></p> <p>5 Contact Hours per poster developed. Each poster may only be submitted once during your recertification period.</p>	✓ If accredited CE was provided	✓
<p><b>Item Writing</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 0.5 = 1 accepted exam item</li> </ul> <p>A maximum of 5 contact hours are accepted per year.</p>		✓

\*\*\*Clinical content includes any educational offerings that primarily contain information applicable to direct practice in the clinical area. Non-clinical content includes any educational offerings related to the professional practice of nursing and the emergency, pediatric emergency, flight, transport or trauma care system. All national accrediting agencies are accepted for your recertification. These include, but are not limited to, American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN), American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) and State Nurses Associations/State Boards of Nursing (SNA/SBN).



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