

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.

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

Options for Recertification:

There are two main paths to recertification, each designed to meet your specific needs. Check out the features of each, and choose the one that's right for you.

Recertification by CE 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

• BCEN Learn offers courses, webinars and practice exams you can use to earn CEs for recertification.

Recertification Process:

CE Attestation Recertification

- Access your BCEN account to apply.
- Any CEs you've earned through BCEN Learn will be tracked in your dashboard for easy attestation.
- Complete the Recertification by Attestation form.
- Attest that you have obtained **all 100 CEs prior to the date of your attestation.**
- Submit your application before your current certification expires.
- Keep copies of your CEs in case you are selected for an audit.



Recertification by Exam

- Schedule, take and pass a BCEN® certification exam.
- You can choose to sit for an in-person exam or remote live proctoring from home via PSI.
- Recertification is available for CEN®, CFRN®, CPEN®, CTRN® and TCRN® credentials.



Exam Recertification

- Complete the Recertification by Exam form.
- Choose between an in-person exam at any PSI testing facility, or live remote proctoring from home.
- Submit the application before your current certification expires.
- Once your eligibility has been approved, schedule an in-person or online exam.
- You must schedule and take your exam within 90 days of application.

CE Type & Description	Accredited	Non-Accredited
<p>Provider Courses 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"> • 60 minutes = 1 contact hour. Certificate for each completed course showing contact hours earned must be included. 	✓	
<p>Presentations or Lectures</p> <p>The same presentation, or lecture, may only be submitted once during your current recertification period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 60 minutes = 1 contact hour 	✓ If accredited CE was provided	✓
<p>Academic Credit</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"> • 1 semester course = 15 contact hours • 1 quarter course = 10 contact hours • 1 trimester course = 12 contact hours 	✓	
<p>Preceptorship</p> <p>A maximum of 15 CH will be accepted during your current recertification period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 semester = 15 contact hours • 1 quarter = 10 contact hours • 1 trimester = 12 contact hours <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>Authoring</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"> • Article = 5 contact hours • Chapter/module = 10 contact hours • Textbook = 50 contact hours 	✓	
<p>Poster Presentation</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>Item Writing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.5 = 1 accepted exam item <p>A maximum of 5 contact hours are accepted per year.</p>		✓
<p>BCENLearn</p> <p>Interactive online courses, practice exams and webinars available to be submitted once during current recertification period.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Credits automatically uploaded to your CE tracker upon completion • Approved by California Board of Registered Nursing 	✓	

***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).