

# DO THESE CONTACT HOURS COUNT?

Q: Is the content nursing related?

**YES!** Great! You can use this contact hour for BCEN Recertification. Let's take a look at other requirements!

**NO** Not able to use for BCEN Recertification.

Q: Is the content directly related to patient care in your specialty?

**YES!** Good news, this counts toward your 75 required clinical contact hours for BCEN Recertification!

**NO**

Q: Does it relate to other aspects of nursing (leadership, revenue cycles, etc...)?

**YES!** Wonderful! This can be used for BCEN recertification and will count toward your 75 required clinical contact hours.

**NO** Looks like this contact hour can't be used for BCEN Recertification.

Q: Is the provider of the contact hour accredited?

**YES!** Awesome! This can be used for BCEN recertification, but won't count toward your 50 required accredited contact hours.\*

**I don't know.**

Q: When you completed the course did it say "accredited by..." at the bottom? Or was it an academic credit, preceptorship or authoring contact hour?\*

**YES!** Excellent, this will also count toward your 50 required accredited contact hours! You're good to go!

**NO** No worries, you can still use this for BCEN Recertification, but it won't count toward your 50 required accredited contact hours.

\* All national accrediting agencies are accepted for your recertification. These include, but are not limited to, American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN), American Nurse Credentialing Center (ANCC), Emergency Nurses Association (ENA) and State Nurses Associations/State Boards of Nursing (SNA/SBN).



# ACCREDITED CE TYPES

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## Continuing Education Courses *such as ENPC, TNCC, PALS, or ACLS.*

One initial and one renewal course for each provider may only be submitted once during your current recertification period. Must be nursing level education or higher.

- **60 minutes = 1 contact hour.**

Certificate for each completed course showing contact hours earned must be included.

- BLS (CPR) will NOT be accepted.
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## **BCEN**Learn

Interactive online courses, practice exams and webinars available to be submitted once during current recertification period.

- **Credits automatically uploaded to your CE tracker upon completion**
  - **Approved by California Board of Registered Nursing**
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## Presentations or Lectures *If accredited CE was provided*

The same presentation, or lecture, may only be submitted once during your current recertification period.

- **60 minutes = 1 contact hour**
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## Academic Credit

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.

- **1 semester course = 15 contact hrs**
  - **1 quarter course = 10 contact hrs**
  - **1 trimester course = 12 contact hrs**
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## Preceptorship of a Student Nurse

A maximum of 15 contact hour will be accepted during your current recertification period.

- **1 semester = 15 contact hours**
- **1 quarter = 10 contact hours**
- **1 trimester = 12 contact hours**

*In order to use preceptorship toward your recertifications, the nurse(s) you precepted **must have earned college credits** for being precepted.*

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## Authoring

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.

- **Article = 5 contact hours**
  - **Chapter/module = 10 contact hours**
  - **Textbook = 50 contact hours**
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# NON-ACCREDITED CE TYPES

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## Presentations or Lectures *If accredited CE was not provided*

The same presentation, or lecture, may only be submitted once during your current recertification period. Must be nursing level education or higher.

- **60 minutes = 1 contact hour**
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## Poster Presentation *If accredited CE was not provided*

5 Contact Hours per poster developed. Each poster may only be submitted once during your recertification period.

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## Item Writing

- **0.5 = 1 accepted exam item**

A maximum of 5 contact hours are accepted per year.

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).