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Illinois LPN, RN, APRN and FPA-APRN Continuing Education Approved Sponsor Information

The rules set forth a large number of organizations that are considered Approved sponsors. These organizations do not have to obtain a CE Sponsor license from IDFPR but must still comply with the standards and requirements regarding content, certificates, etc. Below is a partial list of approved CE Sponsors. If the sponsor is listed in the section below, then the courses may be used for IL nurse license renewal in 2026. Each licensee is responsible for maintaining records of completion of continuing education and shall be prepared to produce the records if requested by the Department.

NURSE PRACTICE ACT RULES, SUBPART A: GENERAL PROVISIONS: SECTION 1300.130 CONTINUING EDUCATION

c) Approved CE Sponsors and Programs

1) Sponsor, as used in this Section, shall mean:

- A) Approved providers of recognized certification bodies as outlined in Section 1300.400(a).
- B) Any conference that provides approved Continuing Medical Education (CME) as authorized by the Illinois Medical Practice Act.
- C) American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC) accredited or approved providers.
- D) Illinois Society for Advanced Practice Nursing (ISAPN).
- E) American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP).
- F) Nurse Practitioner Association for Continuing Education (NPACE).
- G) American Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AANA), or National Board of Certification and Recertification for Nurse Anesthetists (NBCNA).
- H) National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists (NACNS).
- I) American College of Nurse Midwives (ACNM).
- J) American Nurses Association-Illinois (ANA-Illinois).
- K) Illinois Nurse Association or its affiliates.
- L) Providers approved by another state's board of nursing
- M) Nursing education programs approved under Section 1300.230 or 1300.340 wishing to offer CE courses or programs.
- N) Employers licensed under the Hospital Licensing Act (210 ILCS 85) or the Ambulatory Surgical Treatment Center Act (210 ILCS 5)
- O) Any other accredited school, college or university, State agency, federal agency, county agency or municipality that provides CE in a form and manner consistent with this Section.

Please note that this is not a complete list. In addition, organizations may obtain a CE Sponsor license issued by the IDFPR. All licensees are urged to review Section 1300.130 of the Illinois Nurse Practice Act Rules for additional detailed information.

License Look Up: type in: Nurse CE Sponsor: <https://online-dfpr.micropact.com/lookup/licenselookup.aspx>

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