

Master's-level Clinical Nurse Specialist

Q7.1. Master's Clinical Nurse Specialist Program: A master's program in which a defined curriculum includes theory, research, and clinical preparation for competency-based CNS specialty practice.

The following section relates to the master's programs you indicated having at your institution earlier in this survey. You **MUST** complete the **Master's and Master's Major Area of Study section** before completing this section.

For each program type, please follow these guidelines:

- Use official TOTAL enrollment figures (both continued and new students) for Fall 2026.
- Use official graduation figures from August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026.
- Use your institution's definition of full- and part-time.
- The total numbers of CNS students and graduates you report in this section must match the numbers of CNS students and graduates you reported under "Major Area(s) of Study" in the Master's Section
- **DO NOT INCLUDE MASTER'S COMBINED NP/CNS OR POST-MASTER'S CNS CERTIFICATE STUDENTS/GRADUATES IN THIS SECTION.**
- If you have a dual major program in which one major is CNS and the other is not CNS (e.g. Adult-Gerontology CNS/Education), please report those students under the primary major program (e.g., Adult-Gerontology).

Q7.2. Population Focus/Specialty Title - Certification Exams

For each population focus/specialty, select the certification exam that the population focus/specialty prepares the majority of graduates to take. If there is no CNS-specific national certification exam for your population focus/specialty, select 'no national certification exam available'.

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	Adult- Gerontology CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)	Pediatric CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)	Neonatal CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)	No National Certification Exam Available	Other Exam	Focus/Specialty Not Offered
Child & Adolescent Psych & Mental Health Nursing CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Women's Health CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Family Health CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Parent/Child CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Oncology CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cardiovascular CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Perioperative CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Q7.3. Population Focus/Specialty Title - Enrollments and Graduations

The total numbers of CNS students and graduates you report in this section must match the number of CNS students and graduates you reported under question 6.12, "Major Area(s) of Study" in the Master's Section. In question 6.12, you reported **0** full-time, and **0** part-time master's CNS students, and **0** master's CNS graduates.

	Students FT	Students PT	Graduates
» Adult-Gerontology CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)			
» Pediatric CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)			
» Neonatal CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)			
» Adult Acute and Critical Care CNS			
» Neonatal Acute and Critical Care CNS			
» Adult Psychiatric & Mental Health Nursing CNS			
» Child & Adolescent Psych & Mental Health Nursing CNS			
» Women's Health CNS			
» Family Health CNS			
» Parent/Child CNS			
» Oncology CNS			

	Students FT	Students PT	Graduates
» Cardiovascular CNS			
» Perioperative CNS			

Q7.4. Demographic Data for Graduates Only

Non-U.S. Residents

	Non-U.S. Residents (International Students)
Graduates	

Q7.5. Race/Ethnicity & Gender of U.S. Resident Graduates (Do not include non-U.S. residents)

In the following question, you will be asked to report the race/ethnicity and gender of your master's CNS graduates, excluding non-U.S. residents.

You **MUST** enter a value in every cell of the table for each race and gender category. If you are not able to report graduates by race/ethnicity and gender, please include them in the 'Unknown Gender' column and/or 'Race/Ethnicity Unknown' row.

*If you are unable to separate the "Asian" and "Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander" categories, enter all in the "Asian" category.

Q7.6.

Master's CNS GRADUATES Only

Please note that the total graduates reported in this table MUST be equal to the total number of graduates summed by specialty reported on the previous page in question 7.3 (0) minus the number of non-U.S. resident graduates reported in question 7.4 (\${{QID68%231/ChoiceTextEntryValue/2/1}}), for a total of 0 graduates.

	Men	Women	Unknown Gender
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0	0	0
Asian* (not of Hispanic origin)	0	0	0
Black or African American (not of Hispanic origin)	0	0	0
Hispanic or Latino	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander*	0	0	0
White (Not of Hispanic Origin)	0	0	0
Two or More Races	0	0	0
Race/Ethnicity Unknown	0	0	0
#Conjoint, Total#	0	0	0

Q7.7. Certification Exam Pass Rate

- For any of the CNS certification exams that you identified in the Population Focus(Foci)/Specialty(Specialties) sub-section above, please report the pass rate for first-time takers for the previous calendar year (January 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025).
- Please enter a number between 0 and 100. For example, enter “90” instead of “90%” or “90 percent”.
- If there are no data available for an exam only because there were no test takers during this time period, enter 888 for that exam.

	Pass Rate
Acute and Critical Care CNS (Pediatric) (Wellness through Acute Care)	
Adult-Gerontology CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)	
Neonatal CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)	

Q7.8. Comments about this section:

Post-Master's Clinical Nurse Specialist Certificate

Q8.1. **Post-Master's Clinical Nurse Specialist Certificate Program:** A formal post-master's certificate program for the preparation of clinical nurse specialists that admits registered nurses with master's degrees in nursing, and, at completion, awards either a certificate or other evidence of completion.

For each program type, please follow these guidelines:

- Use official TOTAL enrollment figures (both continued and new students) for Fall 2026.
- Use official graduation figures from August 1, 2025 through July 31, 2026.
- Use your institution's definition of full- and part-time.
- Nursing students are defined as students who have been formally accepted into the nursing program whether or not they have taken any nursing courses.
- If you have a dual major program in which one major is CNS and the other is not CNS (e.g. Adult-Gerontology CNS/Education), please report those students under the primary major program (e.g., Adult-Gerontology).

Q8.2. Population Focus/Specialty Title - Certification Exams

For each population focus/specialty, select the certification exam that the population focus/specialty prepares the majority of graduates to take. If there is no CNS-specific national certification exam for your population focus/specialty, select 'no national certification exam available'.

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Pediatric CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Neonatal CNS (Wellness through Acute Care)	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Adult Acute and Critical Care CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Neonatal Acute and Critical Care CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Adult Psychiatric & Mental Health Nursing CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Child & Adolescent Psych & Mental Health Nursing CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Family Health CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Parent/Child CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Oncology CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
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Perioperative CNS	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

Q8.3. Population Focus/Specialty Title - Enrollments and Graduations

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» Perioperative CNS			

Q8.4. Demographic Data for Graduates Only

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	Non-U.S. Residents (International Students)
Graduates	

Q8.5. Race/Ethnicity & Gender of U.S. Resident Graduates (Do not include non-U.S. residents)

In the following question, you will be asked to report the race/ethnicity and gender of your post-master's CNS graduates, excluding non-U.S. residents.

You **MUST** enter a value in every cell of the table for each race and gender category. If you are not able to report graduates by race/ethnicity and gender, please include them in the 'Unknown Gender' column and/or 'Race/Ethnicity Unknown' row.

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Q8.6.

Post-Master's CNS GRADUATES Only

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Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander*			
White (Not of Hispanic Origin)			

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Two or More Races	0	0	0
Race/Ethnicity Unknown	0	0	0
#Conjoint, Total#	0	0	0

Q8.7. Certification Exam Pass Rate

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Q8.8. Comments about this section: