



**Clinical Nurse LeaderSM (CNL[®])
EDUCATION PROGRAM VERIFICATION FORM**
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This form must be completed and signed by the Dean/Chief Academic Officer for the institution/school of nursing. The form must be on file with the Commission on Nurse Certification (CNC) to document eligibility for graduates of the institution's education program to sit for the CNL Certification Examination.

Name of Institution/School of Nursing: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Faculty Contact for CNL Exam Administration: _____

Faculty Contact Email: _____ Phone: _____

First students were admitted to the CNL Program on: ____/____/____ (MM/DD/YYYY)

The graduates complete a Quality Improvement Project: Yes No

As part of their CNL education, students complete:

- A minimum of 400 total clinical hours (may include the 300 clinical immersion hours)
 Yes No
- A minimum of 300 total hours practicing in the CNL role in a clinical immersion experience (can be part of the 400 total clinical hours) Yes No

Select the CNL Education Program Model below (check all that apply):

- Model A** – CNL Master's degree program designed for BSN graduates.
- Model B** – CNL Master's degree program for BSN graduates that includes post-BSN residency that awards master's credit.
(Credits awarded for residency: ____ credit hours)
- Model C** – CNL Master's degree program designed for individuals with a baccalaureate degree in another discipline (second-degree program).
- Model D** – CNL Master's degree program designed for AND graduates (RN-MSN).
- Model E** – CNL Post-master's certificate program designed for individuals with a master's degree in nursing in another area of study.

CNL Education Program Status: Active Closed Discontinued Phasing-Out

Does the institution offer a DNP program? Yes No

Are CNLs eligible for admission to the DNP program? Yes No Not Applicable

▪ **If yes, how do CNLs enter your DNP program:**

- MS/CNLs (CNLs apply directly to the DNP program)
- Post-BS-CNL-DNP (RN-BS prepared nurses apply to a program resulting in CNL certification and DNP preparation)
- Post- MS-DNP (MS prepared RNs (e.g., NP, CNS) complete course work resulting in CNL certification and DNP preparation)
- Other: _____

▪ **If CNLs are not eligible to enter DNP program, why not?**

I hereby verify that this CNL education program prepares individuals with the outcome competencies delineated in AACN's [Competencies and Curricular Expectations for Clinical Nurse LeaderSM Education and Practice](#). The CNL education program requires each student to complete a minimum of 400 total practice hours as part of the formal education program and a minimum of 300 total hours in a clinical immersion experience (see AACN's [Recommended CNL Practice Experiences](#)). I also certify that the information provided is complete and accurate.

I Accept (By selecting the "I Accept" button, you are signing this Application electronically. You agree your electronic signature is the legal equivalent of your manual signature on this Application.)

Dean's Name

Date

Dean's Email:

Phone: