



Instructions for Renewal of Nurse Registration / License

Please read these instructions before completing the application for Retention of Registration / License

Registered Nurses, Advanced Practice Nurses, Specialist Nurses and Psychiatric Nurses are required to renew their registration/license every two years. Renewal period is from September 1 – October 31 of the year in which their registration/license expires. Back and late fees will be levied on lapsed and late registrations. Nurses whose registration have lapsed for 8 (eight) or more years must complete an initial application for registration.

1. Please complete all sections of the form before submission. Incomplete applications will not be processed.
2. An application form is available from the Nursing Council office or can be downloaded from the Bermuda Nursing and Midwifery Council (BNMC) website at www.bnc.bm.
3. The Applicant is required to have a current unencumbered license.
4. Applicants must have been engaged in the practice of nursing for a period of not less than 100 hours during the past 12 (twelve) months. Applicants who are not employed in Bermuda must provide evidence of hours worked by way of certified letter from the employer or supervisor.
5. Applicants who have not worked a minimum of **100 hours** within the past twelve months may appeal for re-registration by writing a letter addressed to the **Credentials Committee** of the Bermuda Nursing and Midwifery Council explaining their circumstance.
6. Evidence of continuing education is essential and must accompany the application form including proof of attendance, i.e. Certificate of Attendance. Where a certificate is not available, proof of attendance should include date, duration, and CE hours awarded and signed by course provider. A **BNMC Continuing Education Form** should be used to itemize activities for consideration and affixed to the application form prior to submission.

7. In compliance with the Nursing and Midwifery Rules 2010, it is mandatory that Advanced Practice Nurses, Registered Nurses, Specialist Nurses, Psychiatric Nurses, [24 \(twenty four\) hours of continuing education within the two years preceding time of registration.](#)
 - **Advanced Practice Nurses:** Of the 24 CE hours required, 6 hours must be related to their Clinical Specialty, and 6 hours must be pharmacology hours related to their specialty practice in order to fulfill prescriptive authority privileges.
 - **Specialist Nurses:** Of the 24 CE hours required, 6 hours must be related to their Clinical Specialty.

Acceptable Continuing Education:

- Online nursing courses/CME/College Courses, related to:
 - Direct/Indirect nursing care
 - Physical, social behavioral sciences
- Continuing education related to pursuit of RN, or other certification Health-Related fields
- Leadership Development
- Printed material (book, chapter, Journal article) related to Nursing or Health Care.
- There must be proof of completion of activity with certificate verifying completion through test, or other evaluative means. Title of printed material, source, date of completion of activity should be included.
- Attendance in Nursing or health-related conferences with approved CE's by reputable credentialing body, such as ANCC for example. (Please check with course Provider or BNMC).
- Authorship of publications, abstracts and presentations related to Nursing or health-related topic.

- ACLS may be counted as continuing education only if it is not **mandatory** in your place of employment.
 - CPR **cannot** be used as CE hours.
8. Evidence of current CPR must be attached to your application.
 9. Re-Registration fee is **\$90.00** (subject to change). Payment must accompany the application and must be in Bermuda or U.S. currency. When made in person, Bermuda bank cheque payable to the **Accountant General** or cash is accepted. For overseas applicants, U.S. Bank draft/cashier's cheque is acceptable. All Cheques and Bank Drafts must be payable to the **ACCOUNTANT GENERAL**. Debit/Credit card payment or Money grams are not accepted.
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 11. Applicants whose Bermuda registration have lapsed less than 8 years, and hold a current license from another jurisdiction, fees will be back dated and a late fee will be applied. APN please refer to **Regulatory Criteria Policy for Registration for Advanced practice Nurse** or request from BNMC office.
 12. When applicable, a copy of documents supporting a name change must be attached to the application form.
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 14. If you answered **"YES"** to questions # 1-3 on [the application](#), form please provide a written explanation, including any resolutions as applicable and attach. If this matter has already been reported to BNMC, do not attach.
 15. If you answered **'YES'** to question # 4 [on the renewal application form](#), please provide evidence of your attendance at rehabilitation.