ANCC PTAP Nurse Residency and Fellowship Accreditation Consulting

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What to have ready

This is the list we would ask for first, each item tied to what ANCC publishes.

- A decision on program type: RN Residency (nurses with less than 12 months' experience) or RN Fellowship (experienced nurses mastering new clinical settings) (ANCC, PTAP [https://www.nursingworld.org/organizational-programs/accreditation/ptap/]).
- Your own read of eligibility against the full criteria in the 2024 PTAP Application Manual (ANCC, Apply for PTAP [https://www.nursingworld.org/organizational-programs/accreditation/ptap/apply/]).
- The completed gap analysis from ANCC's getting started guide (ANCC, Apply for PTAP [https://www.nursingworld.org/organizational-programs/accreditation/ptap/apply/]).
- The PTAP application form. ANCC's PTAP/APPFA team confirms eligibility after it is submitted (ANCC, Apply for PTAP [https://www.nursingworld.org/organizational-programs/accreditation/ptap/apply/], page opened October 3, 2026).
- A target cycle and its self-study submission date from ANCC's posted table, with a fallback cycle in case capacity moves you (ANCC, Apply for PTAP [https://www.nursingworld.org/organizational-programs/accreditation/ptap/apply/]).
- A count of program sites, since ANCC's application and annual fees are tiered from Single Site (1 site) to Super Jumbo (26-30 sites) (ANCC, PTAP fees [https://www.nursingworld.org/organizational-programs/accreditation/ptap/ptap-accreditation-fees/]).
- Documentation of any Magnet, Pathway to Excellence, ANCC Accredited Provider, Wellbeing Excellence or Joint Accreditation status. ANCC's fee page lists a $250 reduction in the initial fee for those organizations (ANCC, PTAP fees [https://www.nursingworld.org/organizational-programs/accreditation/ptap/ptap-accreditation-fees/], page opened October 3, 2026). Verify current fees with ANCC.
- Curriculum and outcome data for the residency or fellowship, owned by your nurse educators, ready for the self-study.
- A user for ANCC's online application portal. ANCC's apply page says portal submission is launching (ANCC, Apply for PTAP [https://www.nursingworld.org/organizational-programs/accreditation/ptap/apply/], page opened October 3, 2026).