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Illinois Department of
Financial and Professional Regulation

Division of Professional Regulation

Qualifications for Licensure:

Full Practice Authority Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (277)

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Important:

- The qualifications for an Illinois full practice authority advanced practice registered nurse license are provided in 68 Illinois Administrative Code 1300.465. Part 1300 may be referred to as the nursing rules. Links to the act and rules are available online at <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/profs/nursing.html> under Laws and Rules.

LICENSE QUALIFICATIONS

- Current licensure as an Illinois registered professional nurse (prefix 041).
- Current licensure as an Illinois APRN (prefix 209).
- Completion of at least 4,000 hours of clinical experience as a licensed APRN while practicing as a nurse midwife, a nurse practitioner, a nurse anesthetist, or a clinical nurse specialist. The clinical experience must be in the nursing specialty in which the APRN is nationally certified in accordance with 68 IAC 1300.400 (a)(2).
- Completion of at least 250 hours of continuing education in accordance with 68 IAC 1300.130. The continuing education must be in the nursing specialty in which the APRN is nationally certified.
- Individuals applying for a license by endorsement must be actively licensed as an advanced practice registered nurse in another state or jurisdiction of the United States or a foreign jurisdiction.

Please apply for licensure with the Division of Professional Regulation using the CORE licensing system online at <https://idfpr.illinois.gov/core.html>.