



The American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Program (AANPCP) is pleased to report that we have completed yet another record year providing certifications to Adult, Family, and Gerontologic nurse practitioners. Nurse practitioners, (ANP, GNP, and FNP), that have completed an accredited masters, postmasters, or higher to include DNP were eligible to take the exams in their respective area of specialization. The examinations have been developed in cooperation with Professional Examination Services (ProExam), a not for profit organization with well over 60 years of experience in the development and administration of national and international licensing and certification examinations specializing in health related fields. All exams are offered year round via computer based testing and online applications are accepted up to 6 months prior to program completion to allow testing the week following program completion in most cases.

AANPCP successfully re-accredited with NCCA the ANP and FNP certifications and we are proud to announce we successfully accredited the ANP and FNP certifications with the Accreditation Board for Specialty Nursing Certification (ABSNC).

As of December 31, 2012 there were 38,746 AANPCP certifications listed as active including 30,634 Family Nurse Practitioners, 7,803 Adult Nurse Practitioners, and 309 Gerontologic Nurse Practitioners. 6,517 FNP, 1,529 ANP, and 117 GNP exams were taken in 2012. This number is reflective of a 29.7% increase over 2011 and a 133% increase over the same time frame 4 years ago.

Also in 2012, a full 100% of those certificants eligible to recertify as GNP, 97% of FNP, and 96% of ANP did so, resulting in an all-time high recertification rate. The ability to apply online has greatly enhanced our response time for those doing so. Certificants can start the recertification process as early as 1 year before needing to recertify.

The practice analysis for the new Adult-Gerontology examination was begun in 2011 and completed in 2012 with the resultant examination and certification being offered in January of 2013. The Gerontologic Nurse Practitioner certification exam was retired in December of 2012.

As of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013 the commissioners of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners Certification Board, Inc. include Lorna Schumann, PhD, FNP, NP-C, ACNS-BC, ACNP-BC, CCRN, FAANP (Chair), Margaret Dean, MS, GNP-C, FAANP (Vice Chair), Greg Holm, PhD, NP-C, FAANP (Secretary), Mary Ellen Roberts, DNP, ANP-C, FAANP (Treasurer), Kathy Wheeler, PhD, FNP-BC, FAANP, Wendy Thon, MS, FNP-C, FAANP, Marianne Hurley, MS, GNP-C (Members at large), Barbara Safriet, JD, LLM (Public Member), and Richard F. (Rick) Meadows, MS, ANP-C, FAANP, Chief Executive Officer (ex officio).

The Commissioners would like to thank Mona Counts, PhD, FNP-C, FAANP, FAAN and Pat Bredenberg, PhD, ANP-C for their services as commissioners up to January 2013.



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## Passing Rate Report

For Exams Taken 01/01/2012 - 12/31/2012

### ADULT NURSE PRACTITIONER NATIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION SCORE REPORT

Score report indicates the standard state performance for the 2012 Adult Nurse Practitioners National Certification Examination. Standard scores are scores which permit comparison of performance among individuals taking the same examination.

### FAMILY NURSE PRACTITIONER NATIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION SCORE REPORT

Score report indicates the standard state performance for the 2012 Family Nurse Practitioners National Certification Examination. Standard scores are scores which permit comparison of performance among individuals taking the same examination.

### GERONTOLOGIC NURSE PRACTITIONER NATIONAL CERTIFICATION EXAMINATION SCORE REPORT

Score report indicates the standard state performance for the 2012 Gerontologic Nurse Practitioners National Certification Examination. Standard scores are scores which permit comparison of performance among individuals taking the same examination.

Total Test Standard Score	% of Examinees in Total Group Scoring Lower
700 and above	95
680	90
660	84
640	75
620	67
600	59
580	51
560	43
540	35
520	28
500	20
480	16
Total ANP Pass Rate 80.0%	

Total Test Standard Score	% of Examinees in Total Group Scoring Lower
700 and above	95
680	90
660	82
640	73
620	63
600	52
580	43
560	34
540	26
520	20
500	13
480	9
Total FNP Pass Rate 87.3%	

Total Test Standard Score	% of Examinees in Total Group Scoring Lower
700 and above	93
680	86
660	80
640	68
620	62
600	54
580	47
560	36
540	31
520	26
500	20
480	15
Total GNP Pass Rate 88.9%	