

Our 2008 Pediatric Nursing Role Delineation Study was drawn from the largest survey ever completed of practicing pediatric nurses. Over 2,800 nurses from all 50 states and the District of Columbia participated.

To learn more about this comprehensive study, visit www.pncb.org.

About the PNCB.

Prestigious. Acclaimed. Respected. These are just a few of the ways leaders in the specialized field of pediatric nursing have described our rigorous certification programs. We remain the largest independent pediatric nursing certification organization in the country, with all of our programs recognized by every employer and state board of nursing in the nation. Over 95% of all pediatric nurses and nurse practitioners who certify choose the PNCB. And they stay certified... 96% of all PNCB-certified nurses recertified for 2008.

Our story begins in 1975 when we were established by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP) to develop a certification program for Primary Care Pediatric Nurse Practitioners. Two years later we launched the Primary Care Certified Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (CPNP[®]) Exam, which continues to be the certification exam of choice for graduating PNPs.

In 1989, we launched the Certified Pediatric Nurse (CPN[®]) Exam in response to a nationwide survey of pediatric nurses who indicated a need and desire to participate in certification. Nearly 12,000 pediatric nurses have achieved CPN[®] certification since the launch of this exam.

In 2004, we became the only certification board to offer Acute Care Certified Pediatric Nurse Practitioner (CPNP[®]) certification.

With the 2009 launch of the Certified Pediatric Emergency Nurse Exam, an exam jointly developed by the PNCB and the Board of Certification for Emergency Nursing (BCEN), nurses practicing in this specialty can now earn certification in their field.

PNCB exams are unique in that they are the only certification exams collaboratively designed by CPNPs[®], CPNs[®] and pediatricians. Our exams are recognized and endorsed by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the Society of Pediatric Nurses (SPN) and the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP). All of our certification programs are accredited by The National Commission for Certifying Agencies (NCCA).



Our mission: To promote excellence in health care for children through the highest quality credentialing services.