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To

1) Registered Nurses/Midwives/ANMS registered with APNMC globally.

2) Autonomous/Deemed Nursing Institutions.

3) Nursing educational institutions (both Government & Private) in the State of Andhra Pradesh.

4) Central/State Government Hospitals/Training Centers under Ministry of Health & Family Welfare/Armed Forces Medical Services hospitals.

5) Multispecialty Hospitals that run medical college or DNB program & Nursing Education.

6) Registered professional associations/Society-State/National/Trained Nurses Association of India.

7) Central/State Government Nursing Educational Institutions (colleges/schools).

8) Any other private/corporate hospital/organization/association/agency associated with healthcare not mentioned in the above list, will seek prior approval from the Council.

Sub: APNMC - Renewal of Registrations of Nursing Personnels state-wide/national-wide/international-wide - Implementation of Continuing Nursing Education (CNE) Guidelines - to follow the instructions for submission of CNE Credits (Proof of CNE credits) while applying for the Renewal through online - Reg.

Ref: 1. INC Gazette No. 471, dt. 06.11.2020.

2. Resolution passed in the APNMC General Body meeting held on 28.05.2024.

As per the guidelines of the Indian Nursing Council (INC), this is to inform that Nursing is a scientific discipline that is continuously influenced by advancements in science and technology within the healthcare sector. The emerging disease patterns, rapid growth of advanced technology in health care and demand of quality health care services have brought significant challenges to healthcare delivery today.

In this evolving healthcare scenario, it is imperative for professional nurses to continuously update their knowledge and skills to ensure the delivery of high-quality, cost-effective and patient safety. This is achievable through Continuing Nursing Education (CNE). To ensure uniformity and effectiveness, a standardized system of CNE implementation, as recommended by INC, is essential.

Recognizing this need, the Andhra Pradesh Nurses and Midwives Council (APNMC), in its Code of Ethics for Registered Nurses, has emphasized the importance of CNE in fostering both professional and personal growth among nurses.

Furthermore, with the forthcoming implementation of the **Nurse Unique Identification Number (NUID) through NRTS** by the INC, it is necessary for all states to uniformly implement the CNE guidelines. These guidelines will guide and encourage professional nurses to appreciate the importance of upgrading knowledge & skill as per changing social needs.

CNE Requirements:

All CNE programs must be approved by APNMC. This is a mandatory requirement for the renewal
of registration and license of nurses and midwives every five years. Please visit APNMC website,
i.e., hmis.ap.nic.in, for CNE guidelines.

 All Registered Auxiliary Nurse Midwives (RANMs)/Rural Local Health Visitors (RLHVs), Public Health Nurses, and those serving as Mid-Level Health Providers (MLHPs)/Community Health Officers are required to participate in government-mandated training programs and earn 30 CNE credits or 150 CNE hours every five years (minimum of 30 hours and a maximum of 60 hours per year). This is also a mandatory requirement for the license renewal for every five years.

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As per the INC and the resolution passed during the General Body Meeting held on 28.05.2024, it is now mandated that all Registered Nurses (RNs) and Registered Midwives (RMs) must complete the required CNE credits/hours every five years to be eligible for license renewal.

Nursing Institutional Responsibility:

In this regard, all Nursing Institutions, Central and State Government Hospitals, Training Centers, Multispecialty Hospitals, Deemed Universities, and Private/Corporate Hospitals with Nursing Departments are hereby requested to adhere to the CNE guidelines. Each institution must conduct a minimum of two CNE programs annually to facilitate the awarding of credits to nursing professionals for license renewal.

This initiative aims to ensure that all the practitioners stay current with evolving healthcare practices, improve patient care and enhance professional competency.

This mandate will come into effect from **01.01.2026**. Meanwhile, all nursing professionals are advised to take note of these requirements and prepare accordingly to ensure a smooth and seamless transition.

Your cooperation will be highly appreciated in advance in this matter and your ongoing dedication to professional growth and excellence in Nursing & Midwifery. Together lets continue to elevate the standards of Healthcare in our community.

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