ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSE (APRN)

RESOURCE CATEGORY	Medical and Public Health
RESOURCE KIND	Not Specified
OVERALL FUNCTION	
COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	

Each type of resource builds on the qualifications of the type below it. For example, Type 1 qualifications include the qualifications in Type 2, plus an increase in capability. Type 1 is the highest qualification level.

COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
DESCRIPTION	The primary purpose of an advanced practice registered nurse is to function as a health care professional licensed to diagnose and treat a range of health problems, working either independently or in collaboration with a physician or other licensed independent practitioner. APRNs specialize and most become certified in such areas as anesthesia, emergency care, pediatrics, geriatrics, family, obstetrics, psychiatry and acute care.	Not Specified
EDUCATION	Graduate of an accredited nursing program with graduate (masters or above) level advanced education and clinical training as an advanced practice registered nurse or nurse practitioner	Some APRNs have been grandfathered into the profession. Even if not master's degree prepared or certified by national certifying organization, they still retain the authority to practice as an APRN. Under these circumstances, an exception may be considered to the criteria.
TRAINING	Completion of the following courses/ curricula: 1. ICS-100: Introduction to ICS 2. ICS-200: Basic ICS 3. FEMA IS-700: NIMS, An Introduction 4. OSHA 1910.120 HazMat Awareness Training or military equivalent basic instruction on responding to and operating in a CBRNE MCI	Not Specified

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EXPERIENCE	1. Primary source verification of employment with an established health care related providing entity such as a hospital, health system, agency, service, or private practice 2. Primary source verification of clinical privileges with an established health care related providing entity such as a hospital, health system, agency, or service Recommended: Minimum of 2 years of experience in a practice setting commensurate with the mission assignment	Not Specified
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS	Certification: Current DEA registration if granted prescriptive privileges by the state of primary registration Licensing: Active status of legal authority to function as an advanced practice nurse, nurse practitioner, CRNA, or midwife without restrictions granted by a state, the District of Columbia, or U.S. territory Recommended Certification: Certification or registration in specialties commensurate with the mission assignment	Variance between licensure requires confirmation of level or practice capability. Some states require both RN and APRN licensure while others require only RN licensure with additional credentials.

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Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated category.