# Endorsement to Utah: Advanced Practice Registered Nurse

Utah Statute: 58-31b

Qualifications:

Each applicant for licensure as an APRN shall:

- hold a current RN license in good standing;
- have earned a graduate degree in:

   (A) an advanced practice registered nurse education program; or
   (B) a related area of specialized knowledge as determined appropriate by the division in collaboration with the board
- pass a national certification exam administered by a certification body approved by NCCA or ABSNC; and
- submit to a criminal background check.

#### **Additional Jurisdictions**

District of Columbia

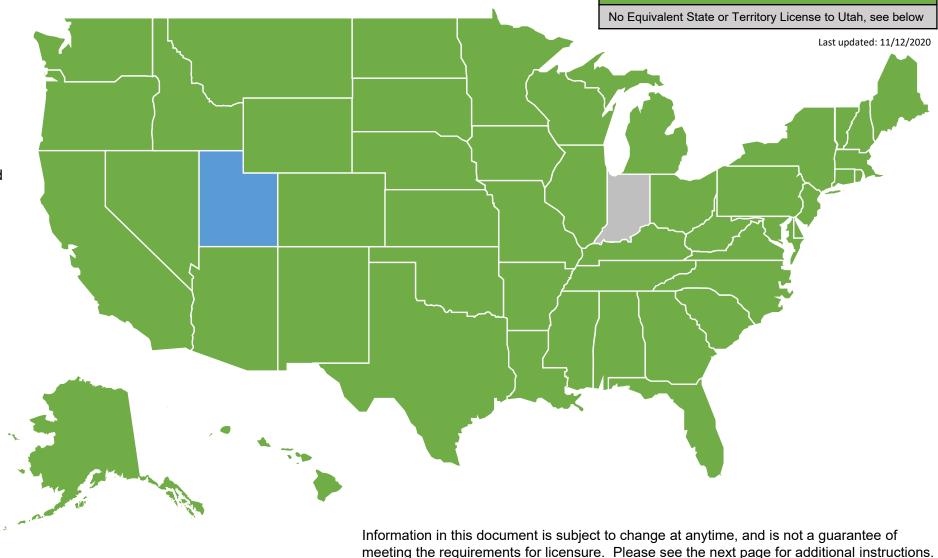
American Samoa

Guam

Northern Mariana Islands

Puerto Rico

U.S. Virgin Islands



**KEY**Equivalent to Utah License w/Current National Certification

## **Application Process**

To apply to Utah using one of the licenses deemed equivalent (jurisdictions in green on the above map), you must have held the license type indicated on the map for at least one year. Additionally, the license must be active and in good standing.

In addition to a complete application for licensure (including fingerprints) and the appropriate fees, you must also submit an official verification of your license and demonstrate <u>current national certification</u> by a certification body approved by NCCA or ABSNC.

If you have been subject to previous disciplinary actions on any professional license or answer yes to any of the questions found on the qualifying questionnaires within the application, you will be required to provide additional information regarding those incidents. See the application for complete instructions.

If your practice in the state of Utah will include administering, possession or prescribing of controlled substances, you must also apply for the Utah Controlled Substance License. See our application for additional instructions.

Note: Applicants who wish to apply for the <u>Psychiatric Mental Health Nursing Specialty</u> must demonstrate 3,000 hours of post-certification clinical practice to qualify for licensure by endorsement. Please use the Verification of Supervised Post-Graduate Experience form found in the "Form" section of our website. *If you have not completed 3,000 hours, you may still apply by application.* 

### Additional Requirements

For jurisdictions that do not meet the minimum requirements for endorsement outlined in 58-1-302, applicants may still be able to use their current license to satisfy some of the requirements for licensure. In addition to a license verification from the jurisdiction, see the information below needed to correct deficiencies in endorsement for specific states or territories.

### Jurisdictions with no equivalent State or Territory-Wide License:

If no equivalent state or territory-wide license is issued by a jurisdiction, local jurisdiction licenses (such as those issued by a city or county) or non-equivalent state or territory licenses may be used to assist with documentation of compliance with some Utah qualifications. Applicants must submit a verification of the license they feel may demonstrate components of Utah qualifications that includes documentation of hours, exams, and other qualifications completed to obtain the license. Additionally, providing information regarding the scope of the license will assist the Division in determining equivalency.

Note: Utah requires that APRNs maintain their national certification as a condition for renewal of licensure.