

CGFNS services needed by nurses educated outside the United States for licensure by U.S. State Boards of Nursing

Board of Nursing	Type	Initial RN	Initial LPN	Secondary School (whether an evaluation of a secondary school diploma is required for a CES report)
Alabama	RN and LPN	CP and CES Full	CES Full	Yes
Alaska	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S	
American Samoa	RN and LPN			
Arizona	RN and LPN	CES, VS or CP	CES or VS	No
Arkansas	RN and LPN	CES Full, CP or VS	CES Full	Yes
California	RN	CES may be accepted		
California	LPN/LVN		CES Full may be accepted	
Colorado	RN and LPN	CES HP/S and English or CP	CES HP/S and English	No
Connecticut	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S	No
Delaware	RN and LPN	CP	CES may be accepted	
District of Columbia	RN and LPN	CP, CES may be accepted		LPN only
Florida	RN and LPN	CES Full	CES Full	No
Georgia	RN	CES HP/S or CP		Yes
Georgia	LPN		CES Full	Yes
Guam	RN and LPN	CP		
Hawaii	RN and LPN	CES Full or CP	CES HP/S	
Idaho	RN and LPN	CP or CES HP/S	CES HP/S may be accepted	
Illinois	RN and LPN	CES HP/S, VS or CP	CES HP/S or VS	No
Indiana	RN and LPN	CP		Yes
Iowa	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S	No
Kansas	RN and LPN	CES Full	CES Full	Yes
Kentucky	RN and LPN	VS	VS	Yes
Louisiana	RN	CP		
Louisiana	LPN			
Maine	RN and LPN	CP or CES HP/S		Yes
Maryland	RN and LPN	CES Full	CES Full	Yes
Massachusetts	RN and LPN	CES HP/S, CP or VS	CES HP/S or VS	No
Michigan	RN and LPN	CES Full and English or CP	CES Full and English	No
Minnesota	RN and LPN	CES HP/S or CP	CES Full	No
Mississippi	RN and LPN	CP or CES HP/S		No

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Secondary School
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Missouri	RN and LPN	CES Full or CP	CES Full	No
Montana	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S	No
Nebraska	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S	Yes
Nevada	RN and LPN	CP or CES HP/S	CES HP/S	LPN only
New Hampshire	RN and LPN	CP or CES Full		
New Jersey	RN and LPN	CES Full and English, or CP	CES Full and English	Yes
New Mexico	RN and LPN	CES HP/S or CP accepted	CES HP/S	No
New York	RN and LPN	CVS	CVS	
North Carolina	RN and LPN	CES HP/S, CP or VS	CES HP/S or VS	No
North Dakota	RN and LPN	CP, CES Full may be accepted	CES HP/S may be accepted	
Northern Marianas	RN and LPN			
Ohio	RN and LPN	CES Full	CES Full	No
Oklahoma	RN and LPN	CP or CES HP/S	CES HP/S	Yes
Oregon	RN and LPN	CES HP/S, CP or VS	CES HP/S or VS	No
Pennsylvania	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S	LPN only
Puerto Rico	RN and LPN			
Rhode Island	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S	No
South Carolina	RN and LPN	CES HP/S	CES HP/S	Yes
South Dakota	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S	Yes
Tennessee	RN and LPN	CP	CES Full	Yes
Texas	RN and LPN	CES Full	CES Full	No
Utah	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S	No
Vermont	RN and LPN	CES HP/S or Full, CP may also be required	CES HP/S or Full	Yes
Virgin Islands	RN and LPN	CP		Yes
Virginia	RN and LPN	CES Full and English, or CP	CES Full and English	Yes
Washington	RN and LPN	CES Full or CP	CES Full	
West Virginia	RN	CP		Yes
West Virginia	LPN		CES may be accepted	
Wisconsin	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S and English	Yes
Wyoming	RN and LPN	CP	CES HP/S may be accepted	No

- Please be advised this chart reflects the best information available to CGFNS as of April 2010.
- Nurses educated in Canada may have different requirements than those listed above.
- Applicants should contact the state boards of nursing directly to verify current requirements for both initial and endorsement licensure.
- States with two listings have separate boards of nursing for RNs and LPNs.

KEY

Full	= Full Education Course-by-Course Report	CP	= Certification Program
HP/S	= Healthcare Profession and Science Report	VS	= VisaScreen®
English	= English language proficiency report	CVS	= Credential Verification Service for New York State
RN	= Registered (first-level, general) nurse	CES	= Credentials Evaluation Service
LPN	= Licensed practical (second-level) nurse		
LVN	= Licensed vocational nurse		