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Section 8.22 - National Certification Pay

Annual compensation of **one thousand five hundred dollars (\$1,500.00)** ~~two hundred seventy-five dollars (\$275.00)~~ may be issued to a coded nurse who is certified or recertified in a clinical specialty. Each coded nurse may apply for National Certification Pay provided:

- a. The certification is clinically relevant to the nurse's area of clinical specialty and will enhance the nurse's knowledge base and skill in providing expert patient care.
- b. The certification is issued by a nationally recognized accrediting agency and applicable to current area of practice. The Chief Nursing Officer may add other certifications that are not issued by a nationally recognized accrediting agency at their discretion.
- c. Certification that is required by the California Board of Registered Nursing (BRN) to meet certification or recertification requirements as a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA) does not qualify for National Certification pay.
- d. Certification that was used to meet the California Board of Registered Nursing credentialing requirements as a Nurse Practitioner or Clinical Nurse Specialist does not qualify for National Certification pay.
- e. Verification of successful completion of such certification is submitted during the April submission month.