


Indicative Educational Pathways

Advanced Clinical Practice

Clinical Nurse Specialist

"The CNS's advanced practice reflects knowledge and skills gained through education and experience."

CNS role varies according to context:	Unit - Based CNS	CNS: Nurse LED Clinics/Initiatives	CNS Working Across Health Settings case management
Possible educational pathway may vary according to role expression			
Clinical Nursing Masters May include specialist / interdisciplinary papers	May include completion plan for Clinical Masters in Nursing if limited  Advanced Therapeutics paper		
PG Nursing Diploma → with papers or equivalent	Nursing Research Clinical Leadership Teaching / Adults learning	Nursing Research [+] Pharmacology	Nursing Research Teaching / Adults learning Family Practice
PG Clinical Certificate → with papers or equivalent	Advanced Health Assessment Advanced practice / knowledge in speciality or other relevant paper	Advanced Health Assessment Advanced practice / knowledge in speciality	Advanced Health Assessment Advanced practice / knowledge in speciality

Entry to a CNS role usually requires five or more years of nursing practice, including experience in the clinical speciality and a relevant clinically-focused postgraduate qualification

Notes:

1. Postgraduate qualification preferred at Diploma level, with postgraduate Certificate as a developmental step
2. Papers on "Indicative Pathway" are examples - paper titles in Clinical Masters programmes vary
3. Attainment may be by educational equivalence

¹ Darryle Deering. **Advanced Practice Nursing Strategy for the Addiction Treatment Sector: A Discussion Document** Christchurch: The National Addiction Centre, University of Otago, and Matua Raki National Addiction Treatment Workforce Development. July 2008

Nurse Practitioner

Regulated by the Nursing Council



Preparation for this role requires organisational support. Please discuss this with your Director of Nursing.

A clinically focused Masters Degree programme approved by the Nursing Council of New Zealand, or equivalent

AND

A pass in a Nursing Council assessment of Nurse Practitioner competencies and criteria

Nurse Practitioners seeking registration with prescribing rights are required to have an additional qualification

Visit the website at nursingcouncil.org.nz

To learn more about these postgraduate qualifications, visit the CDHB Intranet at <http://intranet/division/ed/pg/default.aspx>