



State Policy Fact Sheet: Nevada

Nurse Practice Act: NRS 632.005

Regulatory Structure: Full Practice

Nevada law authorizes nurse practitioners (NPs) to evaluate patients, diagnose and prescribe medications and therapeutic measures.

Nevada NPs may not prescribe Schedule II controlled substances unless the NP has two years or 2,000 hours of clinical experience, or prescribes pursuant to a protocol approved by a collaborating physician.

See the Board of Nursing for more information.
NRS 632.237

Regulatory Agency

NP licensure is regulated exclusively by the [Board of Nursing \(BON\)](#).
NRS 632.120

Licensure Requirements

Requirements include a registered nurse license, a graduate degree in an NP role and national certification.
NAC 632.260

Continuing Education (CE)*

Forty-five CE hours are required every two years. See the BON for details.
NAC 632.291

Malpractice Insurance

Nevada NPs are required to be covered by or otherwise maintain malpractice insurance.
NAC 632.2567

Medical Staff Membership**

NPs are not prohibited from joining medical staffs.
NAC 449.358

Signature Recognition on Items of Patient Care

- Signature Recognition: Nevada recognizes NP signatures on select items of patient care.
NAC 632.237
- Physical Therapy: NPs are authorized to refer to physical therapy.
NAC 632.255
- Parking Permits: NPs are currently authorized to provide proof of disability for disabled parking permits.
NRS 482.384
- DNR: NPs are authorized to sign Do Not Resuscitate orders.
NRS 450B.510
- Death Certificates: NPs are authorized to sign death certificates.
NRS 440.380
- Nevada Provider Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment (POLST): NPs may sign the POLST form.
NRS 449A.551

*Contact hours in specific topics may be required. Please contact your state Board of Nursing for current information.

**Medical Staff Membership refers to governing and voting privileges and is not reflective of clinical or admitting privileges within institutions.

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