WHAT ARE TRANSITION-TO-PRACTICE (TTP) PROGRAMS

Organized, structured, and formal programs during which nurses are directed, guided, and supported through the transition in practice. They are comprehensive and formal programs designed to facilitate the development of the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and behaviors necessary for the successful transition to professional practice within the level of licensure.

The ACEN accredits TTP programs that are administered, developed, and provided by:
- a college, university, or technical/vocational school; or
- a healthcare services organization.

The ACEN accredits TTP programs for all levels of nursing licensure, including advanced practice registered nursing, registered nursing, and practical nursing.

The ACEN accredits TTP programs designed for newly licensed nurses, nurses transitioning to a new nursing role or specialty at the same level of licensure, or nurses re-entering the workforce after an extended absence.
WHY DOES THE ACEN ACCREDIT TTP PROGRAMS?

The primary mission of the ACEN is to support the interests of nursing education, nursing practice, and the public by the functions of accreditation. The ACEN Board of Commissioners determined that successful transition to practice is critical for the profession and the public; therefore, the accreditation of TTP programs is consistent with the ACEN mission to support the interests of nursing practice and the public.

CAN I SERVE AS A PEER EVALUATOR FOR TTP PROGRAM ACCREDITATION?

The ACEN accreditation process is reliant on the expertise of volunteer peer evaluators. To serve as a peer evaluator for TTP programs individuals must have knowledge of current nursing practice, contemporary issues in healthcare settings, and transitions in nursing practice. In addition, peer evaluators must meet one of the following eligibility requirements:

- Currently holds, or recently held, a position as a program educator in a TTP program;
- Currently holds, or recently held, a position as a nurse educator in an ACEN-accredited preparatory nursing education program; or
- Currently holds, or recently held, a position as a nurse in a clinical practice environment.

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