

6. “Certified Nurse Practitioner” is an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse who performs in an expanded role in the delivery of health care:
- a. consistent with advanced educational preparation as a Certified Nurse Practitioner in an area of specialty,
 - b. functions within the Certified Nurse Practitioner scope of practice for the selected area of specialization, and
 - c. is in accord with the standards for Certified Nurse Practitioners as identified by the certifying body and approved by the Board.

A Certified Nurse Practitioner shall be eligible, in accordance with the scope of practice of the Certified Nurse Practitioner, to obtain recognition as authorized by the Board to prescribe, as defined by the rules promulgated by the Board pursuant to this section and subject to the medical direction of a supervising physician. This authorization shall not include dispensing drugs, but shall not preclude, subject to federal regulations, the receipt of, the signing for, or the dispensing of professional samples to patients.

The Certified Nurse Practitioner accepts responsibility, accountability, and obligation to practice in accordance with usual and customary advanced practice registered nursing standards and functions as defined by the scope of practice/role definition statements for the Certified Nurse Practitioner;

7. a. “Clinical Nurse Specialist” is an Advanced Practice Registered Nurse who holds:
- (1) a master's degree or higher in nursing with clinical specialization preparation to function in an expanded role,
 - (2) specialty certification from a national certifying organization recognized by the Board,
 - (3) a certificate of recognition from the Board, and
 - (4) any nurse holding a specialty certification as a Clinical Nurse Specialist valid on January 1, 1994, granted by a national certifying organization recognized by the Board, shall be deemed to be a Clinical Nurse Specialist under the provisions of the Oklahoma Nursing Practice Act.
- b. In the expanded role, the Clinical Nurse Specialist performs at an advanced practice level which shall include, but not be limited to:
- (1) practicing as an expert clinician in the provision of direct nursing care to a selected population of patients or clients in any setting, including private practice,
 - (2) managing the care of patients or clients with complex nursing problems,
 - (3) enhancing patient or client care by integrating the competencies of clinical practice, education, consultation, and research, and
 - (4) referring patients or clients to other services.
- c. A Clinical Nurse Specialist in accordance with the scope of practice of such Clinical Nurse Specialist shall be eligible to obtain recognition as authorized by the Board to prescribe, as defined by the rules promulgated by the Board pursuant to this section, and subject to the medical direction of a supervising physician. This authorization shall not include dispensing drugs, but shall not preclude, subject to federal regulations, the receipt of, the signing for, or the dispensing of professional samples to patients.
- d. The Clinical Nurse Specialist accepts responsibility, accountability, and obligation to practice in accordance with usual and customary advanced practice nursing standards and functions as defined by the scope of practice/role definition statements for the Clinical Nurse Specialist;
8. “Nurse-Midwife” is a qualified registered nurse who has received a certificate of recognition from the Oklahoma Board of Nursing who possesses evidence of certification according to the requirements of the American College of Nurse-Midwives.