

Managing Advanced Practice Environments

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Credentialing is one of the processes that APRNs have to undergo to ensure they meet the required standards of practice as they transition to practice. This process involves verifying the specific documentations of APRNs before they are authorized by a given regulatory body or institution to assume the practice role as an APRN in a facility. Thus, credentialing can be done by an external regulatory body or institution and within an institution. There are some major trends or issues that affect credentialing of APRNs. They include state practice and licensure and legislative changes such as the establishment of the Affordable Care Act (Brom, Salsberry & Graham, 2018; Dai Ingham & Peterson, 2019).

Currently, many states have no full practice authority for APRNs. Limiting the level of practice of APRNs is a significant issue. It limits their effectiveness and their ability to help patients. It also limits them from reducing healthcare costs and offer efficient healthcare as they are considered not qualified to practice as the failure of their education and training. Also, legislative changes such as ACA have led to an increase in the number of Americans receiving health insurance. This is likely to impact the workload of APRNs and also their scope of work (Dai Ingham & Peterson, 2019).

As an APRN, I will address the challenge caused by legislative changes by utilizing various technological approaches such as telehealth. This will help enhance access to more patients and offer care efficiently to avoid overcrowding of patients with health insurance in healthcare centers. Besides, the nursing profession as a whole can utilize the advocacy approach to influence policymakers to establish full practice authority to strengthen the advanced nursing practice (Dillon & Cary, 2017). For instance, nurses can collaborate with other professional

organizations such as the American Nursing Association to persuade the policymakers to implement full-practice authority.

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