The CPAN® and CAPA® nursing certification examination programs, sponsored by ABPANC, are designed to promote and enhance the quality of care delivered to patients who have received anesthesia, analgesia and conscious sedation. An overview, beginning with the process of identifying the content for the examinations through scoring, will be provided.

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References


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