

## CANCER GENETICS & RISK ASSESSMENT CERTIFICATION APPLICATION

### NATIONAL CONSORTIUM OF BREAST CENTERS, INC. PO BOX 1334, WARSAW, IN 46581-1334

Complete this form and mail, or fax with payment to the NCBC office.

You may also complete it and email it to <a href="mailto:certifications@breastcare.org">certifications@breastcare.org</a> with payment information completed.

Payment may be made by check, money order, Visa, MasterCard or Discover

CONTACT INFORMATION	ON		
Name			
First	M. I. (if used)	Last	Professional Credentials (e.g MD, PhD, RN)
Title/Position			
Specialty			
Department			
Facility Name			
Facility Street Location Address			
City, State, Zip			
Mailing Address if different from	Street Address		
Professional Information			
Business Line		Direct Line	
Business Fax		Direct Fax	
Website		Business Email	
Personal Information: In case	of a job change, so we can re	ach you regarding your certif	ication.
Home Street Address			
City, State, Zip			
Personal E-mail			
Cell Phone			
SPECIALTY			
<b>Primary Clinical Credentials (F</b>	Provide Your Primary Clinical	Credential)	
Physician			
☐ Physician's Assistant			
■ Nurse Practitioner			
☐ Advanced Practice Nu	rse		
Other (Describe)			

Seconda	ary Clinical Credentials	
	None	
	Physician	
	Physician's Assistant	
	PhD	
	Master's Degree	
	Nurse (all categories)	
	Other (Describe)	
Medical	Specialty Certifications	
	Medical Oncology	
	Radiation Oncology	
_	Surgery	
	OB/GYN	
_	Internal Medicine	
Ц	Nursing Specialty Certifications (Describe)	
	Other (Describe)	
Practice	Focus	
	Oncology	
	Surgery	
	Gynecology	
	Primary Care	
	Other (Describe)	
Training/Educational Activities in Cancer Genetics and Risk Assessment		
	Conference	
	Courses	
	Web-based tutorials	
	Practice based learning	
	Other (Describe)	
Practice	Environment (work related experience) in Cancer Genetics and Risk Assessment	
	High Risk Clinic – hospital based	
	High Risk Clinic – outpatient setting	
	Cancer Clinic	
	Comprehensive Breast Center	
	Other (Describe)	

# □ 2 years □ 2-5 years □ 5-10 years □ 10-15 years □ 15-20+ years □ Other (Describe)

#### **CERTIFICATION EXAM PURPOSE**

Years of work-related experience in Cancer Genetics and Risk Assessment

To assess knowledge, skills and competencies previously acquired and necessary to assess, educate and provide cancer risk assessment and cancer genetics clinical services to patients and their families. There is a focus of this exam on comprehensive breast cancer risk assessment although a broader recognition of cancer genetics and cancer predisposition genes associated with hereditary cancer risk is expected of the candidate.

#### TARGET AUDIENCE

Preferred candidates are licensed professionals, including physicians, nurse practitioners/advanced practice nurses and physician assistants seeking to demonstrate advanced knowledge in providing cancer genetics and cancer risk assessment subspecialty practice. Genetic counselors do not need to obtain this certification as the competencies are covered by genetic counselor training and maintenance of certification.

NCBC recognizes that there may be other licensed or certified skilled practitioners who possess the requisite educational background, work-related knowledge, competency and clinical experience to be considered eligible to apply for certification in CGRA. Inquiries should be forwarded to the program director and will be assessed on a case by case basis by the certification board to assure that eligibility for this certification is met before sitting for the CGRA examination.

#### **CERTIFICATION ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

To obtain a Cancer Genetics Risk Assessment (CGRA) Certification through the NCBC's Cancer Genetics and Risk Assessment Program, the certification eligibility requirements are:

- Be a licensed or certified healthcare professional (physician, advanced practice nurse, physician assistant)-must provide proof of valid license or certification
- Have completed relevant training/educational activities/courses in cancer genetics and cancer risk assessment (see below)
- Minimum of two years of clinical practice experience in cancer genetics & cancer risk assessment is a requirement for exam eligibility
- Pay the testing fee of \$495 registration
- Register at www.Breastcare.org

NCBC conducts the certification program independently of any specific class, course or other education/training program and is also independent of any provider of classes, course or programs. The assessment is not designed to evaluate mastery of the intended learning outcomes of a specific class, course or program, nor is NCBC, as the

certification program provider, the sole provider of any education or training that may be required for certification. NCBC's certification program is also not responsible for accreditation of educational or training programs or courses of study leading to the certification.

There are multiple pathways and educational resources by which a candidate could acquire the requisite specific areas of knowledge for competency as a healthcare provider in cancer genetics and risk assessment. Resources may include self-study, practice-based education, online course/web-based study, review of professional journals or in-person courses for healthcare providers in cancer genetics and cancer risk assessment.

\*See attached examples of resources (list is not intended to be inclusive/endorsement of any one resource)

#### **CERTIFICATION PROCESS**

All candidates, regardless of professional licensure or certification, are required to take an exam assessing knowledge, skills and competencies required for CGRA Certification. The exam consists of 120 questions and is conducted in a secure, proctored environment with a 3 hour time limit. Successful completion of the assessment exam is required to receive the certification. The exam consists of 100 scored questions and 20 unscored questions.

#### **CERTIFICATION ANNUAL RENEWAL**

The Cancer Genetics Risk Assessment Certification requires annual renewal with eight (8) continuing education credits in cancer genetics, risk assessment content earned per year. A failure to renew will result in inactive certification after 60 days past expiration and decertification after 1 year past expiration.

The annual renewal fee will cost \$150

The online renewal form can be found at www.CGRAcertification.org

(website currently under construction)

#### **PAYMENT OPTIONS**

Certific	ation Fee: \$495		
	Registered and paid for certification online		
	Paying by fax or mail (check or credit card)		
	Paying by Visa, MasterCard or Discover on our website <a href="www.breastcare.or">www.breastcare.or</a> Authorizing payment with submitted application via email		
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