

Preparation for Certification

The Program will forward the student's name and verification of the anticipated date of Program completion to National Commission on Certification of Physician Assistants (NCCPA). The student's graduation date is used to determine their eligibility to sit for the Physician Assistant National Certifying Examination (PANCE). NCCPA will then send the student an application form, which they will need to complete and return to NCCPA. Students are not permitted to take this exam until they have graduated. The earliest the student may take this exam is seven (7) calendar days after their graduation date. Graduation is held the third week in November. All transactions with NCCPA are strictly the responsibility of the student. The student will need to authorize NCCPA to forward their numerical scores to the Colorado Board of Medical Examiners or the State in which they plan to practice for their licensure. See www.nccpa.net for more information and FAQs.