



Consortium for Advanced Practice Providers Program Accreditation Standards

Summary of Major Changes between the 2023–2025 Editions

Global Changes		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated competency language emphasizes individualized, patient-centered care that respects patients' values, preferences, life experiences, and backgrounds (replacing the more general "culturally sensitive care" wording in 2023). Increased focus on fairness, respect, and equitable access to healthcare, with new explicit competency domains. 		
Standard 2—Curriculum		
2023 Standard	2025 Standard	Summary of Change
Core Elements (6 & 8): 6. Equity and Social Justice (addressing health equity, disparities, systemic racism). 8. Social Determinants of Health (identifying underserved/at-risk populations, biases affecting access).	Core Elements (6 & 8): 6. Respect for Patient Values, Preferences, and Needs (listening to patient perspective, incorporating choices into care plan). 8. Health-Related Living Needs (family/friend involvement, continuity and transitions, patient participation).	Equity/SDOH reframed into individualized patient-centered elements and living-needs focus.
Competency #1: "Provide patient-centered care that is compassionate, culturally sensitive, valued..."	Competency #1: "Provide patient-centered care that is compassionate, individualized, and respectful of all backgrounds, needs, preferences, and values..."	"Culturally sensitive" ⇨ "Individualized, respectful of backgrounds, needs, preferences."
Competency #10: "Promoting health equity, diversity, equity and inclusion, and ending systemic racism."	Competency #10: "Addressing people's individual background, needs, and preferences to achieve their optimum health."	Shift from structural/systemic DEI focus ⇨ individualized patient background/preferences.
Knowledge for Practice (2.3): Awareness of implicit bias, SDOH, systemic racism, diverse teams.	Knowledge for Practice (2.3): Understanding how individual/community experiences affect health; importance of diverse teams.	Systemic inequities reframed as community/individual experiences.
Knowledge for Practice (2.6): Apply principles to health problems including climate change.	Knowledge for Practice (2.6): Apply principles including environmental changes.	Climate change reframed as environmental changes.
Knowledge for Practice (2.7): Focus on psychosocial/cultural influences on health equity.	Knowledge for Practice (2.7): Awareness of non-clinical factors affecting health outcomes.	Health equity language reframed to broader non-clinical factors.

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Standard 2—Curriculum (Continued)		
2023 Standard	2025 Standard	Summary of Change
Practice-Based Learning (3.6): Provide culturally and linguistically competent responsive health education.	Practice-Based Learning (3.6): Provide responsive health education to all patients/families.	Removed “culturally and linguistically competent.”
Interpersonal & Communication (4.5): Communication must be compassionate, honest, culturally sensitive, developmentally appropriate, sensitive to health equity/diversity.	Interpersonal & Communication (4.5): Communication must be compassionate, honest, respectful of life experiences/ backgrounds, attentive to access-to-care factors.	Equity/diversity ⇌ life experiences, access to care.
Professionalism (5.4): Sensitivity to diverse populations (age, culture, race, religion, gender, identity, orientation, abilities).	Professionalism (5.4): Sensitivity and responsiveness to all patient populations.	Detailed list removed; broadened to all populations.
Professionalism (5.7): Understanding of diversity, equity, implicit bias in healthcare.	Professionalism (5.7): Understanding that life experiences may impact healthcare access/outcomes.	Reframed from DEI focus ⇌ life experiences affecting access.
Interdisciplinary Collaboration (7.1): Climate of mutual respect, dignity, diversity, inclusion, ethical integrity, trust.	Interdisciplinary Collaboration (7.1): Climate of mutual respect, dignity, trust.	Diversity, inclusion, and ethical integrity removed.
Personal & Professional Development (8.2): Demonstrate cultural humility, healthy coping, invite feedback.	Personal & Professional Development (8.2): Demonstrate openness to others' life experiences, manage stress, welcome constructive feedback.	Cultural humility ⇌ openness to life experiences.
—	Personal & Professional Development —NEW (8.10): Embrace/learn new technology (telehealth, remote monitoring, virtual care).	New technology added.
—	Personal & Professional Development —NEW (8.11): Address individual background, needs, preferences to achieve health.	Individualized care competencies added.
Domain 9: Technology & Telehealth. Domain 10: Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (ending systemic racism).	Domain 9: Technology & Telehealth. Domain 10: Promoting Fairness and Respect in Healthcare (fair access, respect for backgrounds, removal of barriers).	DEI domain reframed as Fairness/Respect in Healthcare.
Standards 1, 3–8		
• No changes.		