

**WAC 246-840-493 Pain management specialist.** An advanced registered nurse practitioner pain management specialist, functioning as a consultant for the prescribing of chronic opioid therapy, shall meet the following qualifications:

(1) Credentialed in pain management by a Washington state nursing care quality assurance commission-approved certifying or credentialing entity; or

(2) Meet all of the following:

(a) A minimum of three years of clinical experience in a chronic pain management care setting;

(b) Successful completion of a minimum of at least eighteen continuing education hours in pain management during the past two years; and

(c) At least thirty percent of the advanced registered nurse practitioner's current practice is the direct provision of pain management care or is in a multidisciplinary pain clinic.

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