At the 2022 National Magnet Conference®, leaders of the American Nurses Credentialing Center’s (ANCC) Magnet Recognition Program® introduced Magnet with distinction – a new designation recognizing the highest performing Magnet organizations around the world. Magnet Recognition with Distinction™ (Magnet with Distinction) is based on validated empirical data, and only a select few hospitals will achieve this elite level of performance. They will serve as exemplary role models for nursing excellence and for creating an environment of care that improves patient outcomes.

Magnet with Distinction celebrates hospitals and healthcare organizations that exceed the scoring thresholds required to attain Magnet designation. It raises the bar to recognize top-tier organizations that have achieved the highest level of nursing excellence while addressing emerging challenges and changes in health care moving forward.

**Magnet with Distinction FAQs**

**Who is eligible for Magnet with Distinction?**

Any organization seeking Magnet designation or re-designation is eligible.

**What is the process?**

Magnet with Distinction is determined based on the review process. Organizations apply and are reviewed in the standard document submission manner. Those that meet the criteria listed below will be notified during the COM call.

**How does an organization achieve Magnet with Distinction?**

There are two paths:

1. No deficiencies in any component and an exemplar in Registered Nurse Engagement.
2. No deficiencies in any component, two or more exemplars in Patient Experience, and two or more exemplars in Nursing-Sensitive Indicators.

**How are organizations recognized?**

ANCC’s designation letter and certificate will denote the Magnet with Distinction recognition, and all organizations that achieve this level will be celebrated at the National Magnet Conference.

**When does Magnet with Distinction take effect?**

The designation goes into effect with ANCC’s 2023 Magnet Application Manual, which will be implemented in January. Organizations submitting under the 2023 manual will be eligible to achieve Magnet with Distinction.

**How will Magnet with Distinction impact nursing and health care?**

Magnet with Distinction will compel higher levels of evidence-based practice, care delivery excellence, and optimal patient outcomes. It will give hospitals and healthcare organizations another way to demonstrate the value of nursing care to their communities.