

## LANA Recertification

### Purpose of Recertification

The purpose of recertification is to ensure that CLT-LANA therapists continue to develop and maintain their education and skills in treating lymphedema. LANA realizes that many disciplines and specialties are requiring continuing education. Therefore, we have tried to simplify the recertification process while maintaining the LANA standards.

### Deadlines for Applications:

LANA Certification is valid for 6 years. Each certificate given to the candidate states the expiration date. A candidate whose certification expires in **Spring** must submit for recertification or application for inactive status by June 30<sup>th</sup> (postmarked) of the year their certification expires. A candidate whose certification expires in the **Fall** must submit recertification or application for inactive status by December 31<sup>st</sup> (postmarked) of the year their certification expires. Failure to apply for recertification or apply for inactive status by the deadline will place the therapist in expired status. **There will be no extensions of the deadlines.**

### Application for Recertification:

The candidate must submit the following for recertification:

1. Provide proof of a current and unrestricted U.S. state license, registration or equivalent Canadian provincial or territorial license, or registration as stated in initial certification process and current LANA certification.
2. A completed recertification application
3. \$150 payment of the recertification fee
4. Submit documentation of meeting the criteria for recertification as outlined below

### Criteria for Recertification:

Certified therapists may attain recertification through **ANY** of the methods listed below:

1. Recertification fee of \$150, plus continuing education **TOTALING** 24 contact hours since initial certification, pertaining to anatomy and physiology of the lymphatic system, treatment of lymphedema, wound care, and/or other courses pertaining to lymphedema.
2. Attendance at one national or international lymphology conference with 24 hours of education accumulated within the years of certification, plus recertification fee of \$150. **Therapists need to provide a copy of their certificate(s) of attendance supporting they have met the criteria. The certificate(s) MUST show hours earned.**
3. Documentation of evidence of teaching at a college level 24 hours on lymph system anatomy and physiology and lymphedema treatment, plus recertification fee of \$150. Documentation must include course outline with hours in classroom and when possible notice of CME approval.

4. Retake the LANA certification exam (including payment of the exam fee).
5. Literature reviews are available to LANA “MEMBERS” only, thru the LANA website. Abstracts of articles are available for review and each abstract has a corresponding quiz. You will need to obtain the article; only the abstract is provided. You must score 70% per quiz to receive one credit, per quiz. You can earn up to 10 credits by doing the quizzes. You still need a combined total of 24 CE’s for recertification. (Note LANA will not provide CME credit for these quizzes to any other organization.)

**Hours of teaching, attendance of continuing education, and attendance at conferences can be combined as long as a total of 24 hours are submitted.**

\*Please check website ([www.clt-lana.org](http://www.clt-lana.org)) for updates and changes

### **Inactive Status**

Upon petition an inactive status may be granted on a case by case basis. Therapists who have their certification placed on inactive status will be removed from the LANA website and other LANA relevant materials. Therapists will need to pay a \$75 fee to be placed on inactive status.

### **Expired Status**

Therapists who do not apply for inactive status and allow their certification to lapse will be required to apply for certification as a noncertified CLT-LANA therapist. It is the only option available to therapists who have let their certification expire. Candidates must meet the eligibility requirements for Recertification and successfully complete the Certification Examination. Therapists who have their certification expire will be removed from the LANA website and other relevant materials.

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