



Working Abroad

For IFNA, a nurse anesthetist is a person who has completed a program of basic nursing education and basic nurse anesthesia education and is qualified and authorized in his/her country to practice nurse anesthesia. Nurse Anesthetist is a general title for nurses working in anesthesia with a specific education. The title could be: Nurse Specialized (or Specialist) in Anesthesia or Anesthetic Nurse.

IFNA Country	United Kingdom
Language requirement	Yes, the applicant, if not from the United Kingdom nor registered with the NMC, a test is set by our governing body, NMC (Nursing and Midwifery Council) when the nurse applies for their registration. There is a specific language course and the set score must be met
Education requirements to become a nurse	Nursing diploma, Bachelor's degree. Nursing qualification from another country which is assessed by the NMC. Some older nurses are neither diploma nor degree nurses, but they will have their registration
Education requirements to become a nurse anesthetist	They need to have Anaesthetic course qualification which is now part of the degree pathway (may become Masters in the future). Again, some nurses have an English National Board course ENB 182 which does not exist anymore
Legal authority that must recognize your education to practice as a nurse	Nursing and Midwifery Council www.nmc-uk.org
Legal authority that must recognize your education to practice as a nurse anesthetist	The employing establishment
Required process to document competency to practice as a nurse anesthetist*, for example, certification	The University that administered the course and the establishment of employment.
Visa requirements	Depending on which country you are from. The Philippines for example needs a visa whereas countries from Europe and the Commonwealth do not but they must have registration and countries outside of Europe must do an adaptation practice course before they can register.
Others	Adaptation if applicable minimum of 6 weeks