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## **Data Recognition Corporation Wins New Contract to Provide Exam Services for the Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification Board**

**MINNEAPOLIS, March 11, 2025**—[Data Recognition Corporation \(DRC\)](#) announced today that it will work together with the [Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification Board \(MSNCB\)](#) to develop and deliver the Board's examinations for medical-surgical nursing certifications. MSNCB selected DRC as their exam services partner through a competitive bid process among multiple service providers. This multi-year contract adds a keystone Nursing client to DRC's growing Licensure and Certification portfolio in the healthcare sector.

MSNCB is a certification board with a mission to validate excellence in medical-surgical nursing. Medical-surgical nurses are recognized as a powerful force in healthcare, with a community of 800,000 strong throughout the U.S. MSNCB certifications include the [Certified Medical-Surgical Registered Nurse \(CMSRN®\)](#) and [Certified Acute-Care Virtual Registered Nurse \(CAVRN\)](#) programs. The current CMSRN certificant base is over 30,000 RNs strong. In the last year, MSNCB administered approximately 3,300 CMSRN exams.

"MSNCB is delighted to enter into partnership with DRC," said MSNCB President Jessica Tully, DNP, RN, CMSRN, CNML, CENP. "We have confidence that this partnership will benefit our candidates' and certificants' experiences in earning and maintaining their certifications. We look forward to continuing to educate and validate medical-surgical nursing excellence with our partners at DRC."

DRC will provide all support services for the new contract, including exam development, psychometric services, program management, item banking (with DRC's partners at Surpass), and exam delivery (with DRC's partners at Pearson VUE).

"It is truly an honor to have been selected by MSNCB to help steward their premier examinations and certify those in the medical-surgical nursing community," said Holly Saraullo, Executive Vice President of Licensure and Certification at DRC. "The work MSNCB does to ensure all medical-surgical nurses are fully prepared to treat patients is critical, and we are excited to work alongside them in support of their mission."

### **About the Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification Board (MSNCB)**

The Medical-Surgical Nursing Certification Board (MSNCB®) is a certification board with a mission to validate excellence in medical-surgical nursing. Realizing the impact that medical-surgical nurses have on patient outcomes, in 2002 MSNCB developed the Certified Medical-Surgical Registered Nurse (CMSRN®) credential as the recognized path for medical-surgical nurses to demonstrate their commitment, confidence, and credibility. Over 20 years later, MSNCB continues to honor the dedication and knowledge of medical-surgical nurses and strives to improve patient care by offering the new Certified Acute-Care Virtual Registered Nurse (CAVRN) credential, which provides a certification path for virtual nurses in acute care settings.

## **About Data Recognition Corporation (DRC)**

DRC seeks to transform the field of assessment by providing opportunities for every learner to succeed, from PreK–12 to college and career. DRC is a national leader in the development and delivery of high-stakes, psychometrically sound assessments that measure knowledge, skills, and abilities. We help licensure and certification boards and associations develop and deliver fair and reliable exams that allow aspiring professionals to achieve and maintain certification in their fields of expertise. As one of the country's largest and most experienced full-service assessment vendors, DRC serves millions of examinees across the U.S. and internationally, including those in the licensure and certification market. For more information on DRC, visit <http://www.datarecognitioncorp.com>.

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