



Nursing Diagnosis Submission Process

Nursing diagnosis submission, review and approval is a multiple-step process. Our goal is to provide you with tools for success including instructions, resources and one-to-one assistance.

Preparing Your Submission

Read the guidelines for preparing your nursing diagnosis submission, either for a new diagnosis or proposed revisions to an existing diagnosis.

Submission Review Process

Your nursing diagnosis submission will progress through either a Full Review Process or Expedited Review Process. This section includes an overview of the review processes and specific descriptions of each.

Online Diagnosis Submission Form

Use our online form to submit your proposed new diagnosis or proposed diagnosis revision.

Getting Help

For help with your diagnosis submission, email the Diagnosis Development Committee (DDC) at ddc@nanda.org.

Preparing Your Nursing Diagnosis Submission

1. Obtain the most recent edition of [NANDA-I Nursing Diagnoses: Definitions and Classification](#) and review related diagnoses.
2. Email the Diagnosis Development Committee at ddc@nanda.org for more specific instructions, guidelines regarding format, criteria for assigning level of evidence, and protocol for submission.
3. For a new diagnosis submission, review the Glossary of Terms in the most recent edition of NANDA-I Nursing Diagnoses: Definitions and Classification, and determine whether your proposed diagnosis is an actual diagnosis, risk diagnosis, health-promotion diagnosis or syndrome diagnosis.
4. Cite references for the diagnosis label, definition, defining characteristics, risk factors and related factors from articles, not books and articles should be within the higher levels of research if possible. If no research-based references articles are available, indicate this in your submission. In addition to nursing references, references in related fields (e.g., psychosocial sciences) may also be appropriate.
5. Complete the [Online Diagnosis Submission Form](#) with details according to the instructions shown below:

Label	Applies To Diagnoses	New Diagnosis	Diagnosis Revision
	All Diagnosis Submissions	Provide a label for the diagnosis which is supported by references and identify the references.	Identify whether the label of the diagnosis needs revision. The revision must be supported by references and the references must be identified.

Definition	Applies To Diagnoses	New Diagnosis	Diagnosis Revision
	All Diagnosis Submissions	Provide a definition for the diagnosis that is supported by references and identify the references.	Review the definition of the diagnosis to determine if revision is necessary; revise if appropriate. The revision must be supported by references and the references must be identified.

Preparing Your Nursing Diagnosis Submission (continued)

Defining Characteristics	Applies To Diagnoses	New Diagnosis	Diagnosis Revision
	Actual Health-Promotion Syndrome	<p>Identify the defining characteristics and supporting reference(s) for each defining characteristic.</p> <p>For Syndrome diagnoses: identify current nursing diagnosis labels as defining characteristics and provide supporting reference(s) for each.</p>	<p>Review the existing defining characteristics for the diagnosis and revise as needed.</p> <p>The revisions must be supported by references and the references must be identified.</p>
<p>To facilitate coding, each defining characteristic must contain a single concept rather than multiple concepts. For example, rather than listing "nausea & vomiting as a single defining characteristic, each concept needs to be listed separately.</p>			

Risk Factors	Applies To Diagnosis	New Diagnosis	Diagnosis Revision
	Risk	Each risk factor must be supported by references and the references must be identified.	<p>Review the existing risk factors for the diagnosis and revise as needed.</p> <p>The revisions must be supported by references and the references must be identified.</p>
<p>To facilitate coding, each risk factor must contain a single concept rather than multiple concepts. For example, rather than listing "nausea & vomiting as a single risk factor, each concept needs to be listed separately.</p>			

Related Factors	Applies To Diagnosis	New Diagnosis	Diagnosis Revision
	Actual Syndrome	<p>Identify the related factors and supporting reference(s) for each related factor.</p> <p>For Syndrome diagnoses: Identify related factors and provide supporting references for each. Related factors are required for Syndrome diagnoses only if they add clarity to the definition</p>	<p>Review the existing related factors for the diagnosis and revise as needed.</p> <p>The revisions must be supported by references and the references must be identified.</p>
<p>To facilitate coding, each related factor must contain a single concept rather than multiple concepts. For example, rather than listing "nausea & vomiting as a single related factor, each concept needs to be listed separately.</p>			

Preparing Your Nursing Diagnosis Submission (continued)

Bibliography	Applies To Diagnoses	New Diagnosis and Diagnosis Revision
	All Diagnosis Submissions	Develop a bibliography, including all the articles referenced. Number the references and link the reference to the component(s) of your submission the reference supports. Submission components are: Label, Definition, Defining Characteristics or Risk Factors, and Related Factors.

Nursing Interventions	Applies To Diagnoses	New Diagnosis	Diagnosis Revision
	All Diagnosis Submissions	Provide at least 2 examples of appropriate nursing interventions from a standardized nursing terminology (e.g. NIC) for the diagnosis. If appropriate nursing interventions have not yet been identified within a standardized nursing terminology.	If the revision is changing the original intent of the diagnosis, provide up to 3 examples of appropriate nursing interventions from a standardized nursing terminology (e.g. NIC) for the diagnosis.

Nursing Outcomes	Applies To Diagnoses	New Diagnosis	Diagnosis Revision
	All Diagnosis Submissions	Provide at least 1 example of appropriate nursing outcome from a standardized nursing terminology (e.g. NOC) for the diagnosis. If appropriate nursing outcomes have not yet been identified within a standardized nursing terminology, identify other supporting reference(s).	If the revision is changing the original intent of the diagnosis, provide up to 3 examples of appropriate nursing outcomes from a standardized nursing terminology (e.g. NOC) for the diagnosis.

NOTE: The type of diagnosis submission will determine which of the following pages and instructions apply. These instructions are based on examples of Actual New and Actual Revised Diagnosis submissions. For more information about diagnosis submission, see the Diagnosis Submission section of the NANDA-I website (www.nanda.org). For help, please email the Diagnosis Development Committee at ddc@nanda.org.

Submission Description

New Diagnosis

1. Select the applicable diagnosis status, e.g. actual, risk, health promotion or syndrome.
2. Select New Diagnosis.
3. If your New Diagnosis submission is proposed to replace an existing diagnosis, please type the label of the existing diagnosis in the box provided.
4. Please list labels of any current related NANDA-I diagnoses in the box provided. *(If more than one applies, please separate labels with commas.)*

NANDA-I Nursing Diagnosis Submission Form

Description

Diagnosis Status and Submission Type
 Choose a diagnosis status: (Actual, Risk, Health Promotion, or Syndrome).
 Choose a submission type: New Diagnosis or Revised Diagnosis.

Revised Diagnosis - Scope of Changes
 Choose Label Only if the diagnosis label is the **only** revision included in your submission.
 Choose Definition Only if the diagnosis definition is the **only** revision included in your submission.

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Actual
 Risk
 Health Promotion
 Syndrome

New Diagnosis
 Revised Diagnosis

Are you proposing this new diagnosis as a replacement for an existing diagnosis? If so, please type the label of the existing diagnosis into the box provided:

Please list labels of any current related NANDA-I diagnoses. *(If more than one label applies, please separate labels with commas.)*

Label Revision
 Definition Revision
 Defining Characteristics Revision
 Related Factors Revision
 Risk Factors Revision

Revised Diagnosis

1. Select the applicable diagnosis status (e.g. Actual, Risk, Health Promotion or Syndrome).
2. Select Revised Diagnosis.
3. Please list labels of any current related NANDA-I diagnoses in the box provided. *(If more than one applies, please separate labels with commas.)*
4. Select the box(es) that apply to the revisions you're proposing (e.g. label, definition, defining characteristics, related factors or risk factors).

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Label Revision
 Definition Revision
 Defining Characteristics Revision
 Related Factors Revision
 Risk Factors Revision

Contact Information

1. Type your contact information in the boxes provided. If there is more than one submitter involved, provide the contact information of the submitter with whom we should follow up.
2. Provide answers to the questions about NANDA-I membership and whether submission is related to an academic course of study.
3. If your submission is related to an academic course of study, type your course instructor information in the boxes provided.

Contact Information

Please provide the following so we can follow up with you about your nursing diagnosis submission:

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** Required Fields*

First Name:*

Last Name:*

Email Address:*

Phone:*

Best Time to Call:

Fax:

Street Address:

City:

State/Province:

Zip/Postal Code:

Country:

Are You a Member of NANDA-I?*

Yes

No

Is this diagnosis submission related to an academic course of study?*

Yes

No

If related to academic course of study:

Course Instructor Name:

Course Instructor Email:

University/College Name:

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References

1. References are required for the diagnosis label, definition, each defining characteristic or risk factor and each related factor.
2. Publishers require the use of APA format; examples are provided on the page (italics are not required for this form).

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References

Enter at least one reference.
 Publishers require the use of American Psychological Association (APA) Format. See samples below.

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Ref #	Reference (APA Format - No Italics Required)
1	<input type="text"/>
2	<input type="text"/>
3	<input type="text"/>
4	<input type="text"/>
5	<input type="text"/>

Sample APA reference formats:

Articles:
 Author, A.A., Author, B.B., & Author, C.C. (Year). Title of article. Title of Periodical, volume number (issue number), pages.

Books:
 Author, A.A. (Year of publication). Title of work: Capital letter also for subtitle. Location: Publisher.

Electronic:
 Author, A.A., & Author, B.B. (Date of publication). Title of article. Title of Online Periodical, volume number (issue number, if available). Retrieved month day, year, (if necessary) from <http://www.someaddress.com/full/url/>.

NOTE:
 All authors must be listed; the use of *et al* is not acceptable.

Label

New Diagnosis

1. Type the number(s) of the reference(s) applicable to the proposed label in the box provided.

2. Type the proposed label in the box provided.

Revision to Label

1. If your submission is proposing a change to the label:

- Type the number(s) of the reference(s) applicable to the proposed label revision in the box provided.
- Type the current label in the box provided.
- Type the proposed label in the box provided.

2. If your submission is not proposing a change to the label, type the current label in the box provided.

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Label

Applicable References:
List the number(s) of your applicable reference(s).

For a New Diagnosis:
Enter the Proposed Label.

For a Revised Diagnosis:
Enter the Current Label.

For a Label Revision:
Enter **both** the Current and Proposed Labels.

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Applicable Reference Number(s):

Current Label:

Proposed Label:

Definition

New Diagnosis

1. Type the number(s) of the reference(s) applicable to the proposed Definition in the box provided.

2. Type the proposed definition in the box provided.

Revision to Definition

1. If your submission is proposing a change to the Definition:

- Type the number(s) of the reference(s) applicable to the proposed definition revision in the box provided.
- Type the current definition in the box provided.
- Type the proposed definition in the box provided.

2. If your submission is not proposing a change to the definition, type the current definition in the box provided.

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Definition

Applicable References:
List the number(s) of your applicable reference(s).

For a New Diagnosis:
Enter the Proposed Definition.

For a Revised Diagnosis:
Enter the Current Definition.

For a Definition Revision:
Enter **both** the Current and Proposed definitions.

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Applicable Reference Number(s):

Current Related Definition:

Proposed Definition:

Defining Characteristics

New Diagnosis

Defining characteristics are required for Actual, Health Promotion and Syndrome diagnoses. Defining Characteristics for Syndrome diagnoses are labels of current diagnoses.

1. Type the proposed defining characteristic(s) in the box(es) provided.

2. Each proposed defining characteristic requires applicable reference number(s).

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Defining Characteristics

For Each New Defining Characteristic:
 Enter the Proposed defining characteristic.

For Each Revised Defining Characteristic:
 Enter both the Current and Proposed defining characteristics.

Reference(s):
 Enter the number(s) of the applicable references.

Syndrome Diagnosis Submissions:
 Two or more labels of current NANDA-I nursing diagnoses must be used as defining characteristics.

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Applicable Reference Number(s)	Current Defining Characteristic	Proposed Defining Characteristic
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Revision to Defining Characteristic(s)

At least one proposed new defining characteristic is required.

1. List all current defining characteristics.

2. Type the proposed revised defining characteristic(s) in the box(es) provided.

3. Each proposed defining characteristic requires applicable reference number(s).

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Defining Characteristics

For Each New Defining Characteristic:
 Enter the Proposed defining characteristic.

For Each Revised Defining Characteristic:
 Enter both the Current and Proposed defining characteristics.

Reference(s):
 Enter the number(s) of the applicable references.

Syndrome Diagnosis Submissions:
 Two or more labels of current NANDA-I nursing diagnoses must be used as defining characteristics.

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Applicable Reference Number(s)	Current Defining Characteristic	Proposed Defining Characteristic
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Risk Factors

New Diagnosis

Risk Factors are required for Risk Diagnoses.

1. Type the proposed risk factor(s) in the box(es) provided.
2. Each proposed risk factor requires applicable reference number(s).

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Risk Factors

For Each New Risk Factor:
Enter the Proposed risk factor.

For Each Revised Risk Factor:
Enter **both** the Current and Proposed risk factors.

Reference(s):
Enter the number(s) of the applicable references.

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Applicable Reference Number(s)	Current Risk Factor	Proposed Risk Factor
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Revision to Risk Factor(s)

At least one proposed new risk factor is required.

1. List all current risk factors.
2. Type the proposed risk factors(s) in the box(es) provided.
3. Each proposed risk factor requires applicable reference number(s).

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Risk Factors

For Each New Risk Factor:
Enter the Proposed risk factor.

For Each Revised Risk Factor:
Enter **both** the Current and Proposed risk factors.

Reference(s):
Enter the number(s) of the applicable references.

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Applicable Reference Number(s)	Current Risk Factor	Proposed Risk Factor
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Related Factors

New Diagnosis

Related Factors are required for Actual diagnoses; they are required for Syndrome diagnoses only if adding clarity to the definition.

1. Type the proposed related factor(s) in the box(es) provided.
2. Each proposed related factor requires applicable reference number(s).

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Related Factors

For Each New Related factor:
Enter the Proposed related factor.

For Each Revised Related Factor:
Enter **both** the Current and Proposed related factor.

Reference(s):
Enter the number(s) of the applicable references.

Syndrome Diagnosis Submissions:
Related factors maybe used if they add clarity to the definition.

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Applicable Reference Number(s)	Current Related Factor	Proposed Related Factor
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Revision to Related Factor(s)

At least one proposed new related factor is required.

1. List all current related factors.
2. Type the proposed related factors(s) in the box(es) provided.
3. Each proposed related factor requires applicable reference number(s).

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Related Factors

For Each New Related factor:
Enter the Proposed related factor.

For Each Revised Related Factor:
Enter **both** the Current and Proposed related factor.

Reference(s):
Enter the number(s) of the applicable references.

Syndrome Diagnosis Submissions:
Related factors maybe used if they add clarity to the definition.

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Nursing Interventions

At least two nursing interventions are required (may be NIC or other nursing interventions). Type in box(es) provided.

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Nursing Interventions

For a New Diagnosis
Provide examples of **at least two** nursing interventions (may be NIC or other nursing interventions).

For a Revised Diagnosis
If the revision is changing the original intent of the diagnosis, provide two examples of appropriate nursing interventions (may be NIC or other nursing interventions).

Intervention #	Nursing Intervention
1	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>

Nursing Outcomes

At least one nursing outcome is required (may be NOC or other nursing outcomes). Type in box(es) provided.

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Nursing Outcomes

For a New Diagnosis
Provide examples of **at least one** nursing outcome (may be NOC or other nursing outcome).

For a Revised Diagnosis
If the revision is changing the original intent of the diagnosis, provide an example of an appropriate nursing outcome (may be NOC or other nursing outcome).

Outcome #	Nursing Outcome
1	<div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; height: 40px; width: 100%;"></div>