



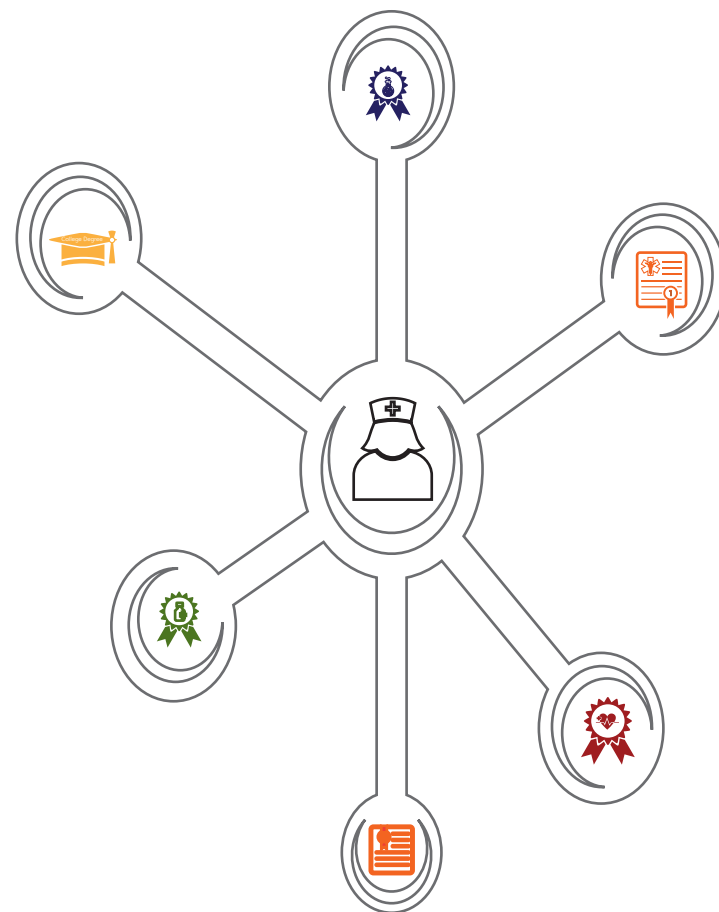
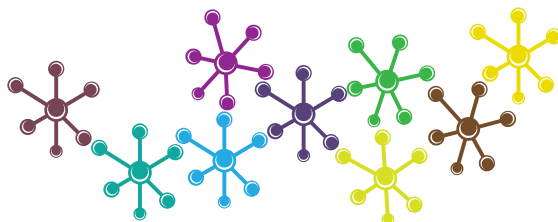
# What are Credentials?

A documented award by a responsible and authorized body that has determined that an individual has achieved specific learning outcomes relative to a given standard. Credential in this context is an umbrella term that includes degrees, diplomas, licenses, certificates, badges, and professional/industry certifications.<sup>3</sup>



# What are Connected Credentials?

A broad term encompassing the connections and relationships between and among credentials - be they lateral, latticed, nested, build or stack connections. This includes connections to purpose and value in multiple contexts and connections to opportunities for credential earners.<sup>2</sup>



**Connected Credentials Bring Together ALL Learning To Transparently Showcase the Skills & Knowledge of a Learner.**

