

Nurse Practitioner

Nurse practitioners (NPs) are licensed independent practitioners responsible for managing health problems and coordinating health care for the perioperative patient in accordance with state and federal rules and regulations and the nursing standards of care, including the assessment of health status, diagnosis, development of a plan of care and treatment, implementation of the treatment plan, and evaluation of patient status.

Core Responsibilities

Competency	Tasks
Clinical Expertise and Patient Care	Advanced health assessment and physical examination skills
	Diagnosis and management of acute and chronic conditions
	Prescribing medications safely and appropriately
Leadership	Leadership in clinical and organizational settings
	Advocacy for patients and healthcare systems
	Mentoring and educating other clinicians or students
Professional Practice	Adherence to ethical principles and legal regulations
	Lifelong learning and professional development
	Commitment to quality, safety, and accountability

Skills & Qualifications

Required Skills:

- Clinical expertise/advanced knowledge of nursing practices, procedures, and technologies
- Strong interpersonal and communication abilities
- Skilled in instructional design, group facilitation, and hands-on training
- Act as a mentor to guide nursing students
- Critical thinking and problem-solving
- Organization and time management
- Effective written/oral communication

REQUIRED EDUCATION

- Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) (or enrolled in an MSN program) or a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP)

REQUIRED CREDENTIALS

- Registered Nurse- Board Certified (RN-BC)
- Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN)

Career Opportunities



- *Advanced Clinical Practice*
- *Healthcare Leadership and Administration (e.g. Chief Nursing Officer)*
- *Nurse Educator roles*
- *PhD in Nursing for research-intensive positions*