

Nurse Practitioner Residency Program

VA Puget Sound Health Care System - Seattle Center of Excellence in Primary Care Education

A UNIQUE Program

- VA Puget Sound Health Care System (VAPSHCS) Center of Excellence in Primary Care Education (CoEPCE) is part of a national effort, led by the VA Office of Academic Affiliations (OAA), to transform clinical education of primary care providers. who deliver patient-centered coordinated longitudinal primary care in an interprofessional setting. The VA has been recognized as a leader in interprofessional practice and education.
- The Seattle CoEPCE designed this comprehensive one year Nurse Practitioner (NP) Residency Program for new providers in primary care practice to build upon the foundational framework of education in advanced practice. In addition, our program uniquely offers leadership, practice inquiry, team based chronic disease management, and interprofessional collaborative workplace learning.

Mission & Goals

MISSION: To prepare Nurse Practitioners (NPs) as highly effective, competent, and autonomous primary care providers in a team based, interprofessional, collaborative setting to increase access to quality primary care for Veterans.

GOALS:

- **ADVANCED PRACTICE:** Utilize evidence-based practice to care for complex, diverse populations across the adult life span. Clinical continuity will support sustained relationships and shared decision making with patients and families while providing patient centered care.
- **CLINICAL INQUIRY:** Provide clinical training necessary for practice improvement, quality improvement and population management.
- **LEADERSHIP:** Apply leadership strategies that support collaborative practice and team effectiveness.
- **MENTORSHIP:** Offer guided support to transition from novice provider to proficient clinician.

Advanced Clinical & Educational Experiences

Sample Weekly Schedule Options

	MON	TUES	WED	THU	FRI
AM	• Primary Care Clinic	• Primary Care Clinic	• Primary Care Clinic • Specialty Clinic	• Primary Care Clinic	• Inter-professional Educational Topics • Specialty Clinic
PM	• Co-Teaching • Leadership • Specialty Clinic	• Women's Clinic	• Specialty Clinic • Admin time	• Primary Care Clinic • Admin time	• Meet with NP Mentor • Quality Improvement • Admin time

- Continuity clinics with expert NPs and physicians as medical resource.
- Assigned to Patient Aligned Care Team (PACT) teamlets as primary care provider.
- Rotation through several specialty clinics and primary care population-based system clinics.
- Continuous interprofessional training with CoE/PACT model of high performance in an integrated, medical home system as clinical leader.
- Weekly didactic sessions for high volume/high risk problems.
- Weekly interprofessional huddles for complex medical and psychosocial care management.
- Comprehensive quality improvement and clinical evaluation training to refine clinic effectiveness.
- Scholarship and leadership opportunities.

Sample Specialty Clinicals

- Cardiology
- Emergency Department
- Home Based Primary Care
- Homeless Health
- Palliative Care
- Deployment Health
- Rehab Medicine (Ortho)
- Neurology

Sample In-Person Interprofessional Topics

Pre-Clinic Conference

- Women's Health
- Peripheral Nerve Disorders
- Pulmonary Nodules/Neoplasms

Panel Management

- Diabetes and Hypertension
- Opioid Management
- Emergency Department Utilization

Multi-Professional Seminars

- Wound Care
- Shared Decision Making
- Mental Health
- Ophthalmology

Team-Building

- Conflict Resolution
- Huddles
- Critical Incidents
- Meet Your Colleagues

Benefits

- Medical and dental benefits
- Vacation Leave
- Sick Leave

If you are interested in applying for this NP Residency program or have any questions, please contact the administrator below.



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