

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 Seattle CoEPCE designed this innovative 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 and the nation.

GOALS:

- **ADVANCED PRACTICE:** Evidence-based preparation to care for complex, medically-underserved populations across the adult life span.
- **CLINICAL INQUIRY:** Gain depth, breadth, volume and intensity of clinical training necessary for practice improvement and quality improvement in a multi-professional clinical system.
- **LEADERSHIP:** Increase the number of NPs ready to serve in leadership roles in a complex clinical system.
- **MENTORSHIP:** Guided support to transition from novice provider to proficient clinician.

Advanced Clinical & Educational Experiences

Sample Weekly Schedule

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

- 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
- Pharmacy
- 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 HTN
- 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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