

Why choose PNP?

One letter makes a huge difference when choosing a nurse practitioner career. Are you deciding between pediatrics and another specialty? Before you invest time, effort, and money, ask yourself...

Can I set aside my passion for pediatrics?

The population you choose for your NP program will set the course for your career.

- What would you like to do most of the day and most of your week?
- Do you truly want to work with adult patients, or is your preference really pediatrics?

Which program will make me the expert I want to be?

The first NP program was pediatrics. This created a legacy of strong, innovative faculty who continue to shape curricula. Pediatric nurse practitioners differentiate themselves from other NPs by gaining knowledge and skills that explore the depth of pediatric health, growth, and development.

Compare program curricula.

- Which type of NP program gets you excited?
- Which type of program enables you to provide high quality, comprehensive care for children and families?
- Are you okay with generalized content, or do you want focused content?
- Do you want robust, immersive pediatric clinical experiences?

Will I stand out in the job market?

Get to know the market in your area. Don't compromise your clinical interests simply to get a job.

- What specialty preparation do NPs in your preferred clinical setting have?
- If you were hiring for a pediatric position, which type of NP would you rather hire?

Where do I want to focus my lifelong learning?

- Are you committed to staying up to date on medications and treatments across the entire lifespan?
- Or do you want to focus solely on keeping current for the pediatric age range?
- Will a PNP program better enable you to identify a mentor before and after you graduate?

Am I ready to make the future better?

PNPs are uniquely qualified to advocate for children and offer families support and education to promote optimal child health. Want to contribute to future generations? Be that PNP who makes a difference in the lives of children today.

Ready to learn more? See respected resources from the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners (NAPNAP)

Career Resource Guide: www.napnapcareerguide.com/pnp-career-path-goals

