

Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) Program

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This program of study is effective Fall 2013

The Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and Doctor of Nursing Practice program is based at Rutgers' Newark and Stratford campuses. Upon completion of the Pediatric Advanced Practice Nurse track, students are eligible for Pediatric Nurse Practitioner certification through the American Nurses' Association and the Pediatric Nursing Certification Board.

Role and Qualifications: The Pediatric Nurse Practitioner/Doctor of Nursing Practice Program at Rutgers SN is for bachelor's-prepared RNs seeking a doctoral degree. This program will prepare advanced practice nurses to provide primary care to children from newborns to 21 years of age in a variety of settings. The added DNP will create nursing leaders who can address emerging issues in child health; such as the increasing diversity of immigrant children, chronic illness, and protection issues. Pediatric Advanced Practice Nurses are employed in clinical practice, school-based health, home health, public health, acute and long-term care settings.

Scope of Practice: The Pediatric Nurse Practitioner promotes the provision of timely and comprehensive care to children from newborns to 21 years of age in a variety of settings while striving to eliminate healthcare disparities among diverse populations using evidence-based practice. The APN role is grounded in the nursing, biological, social and behavioral sciences.

Curriculum: The 83 credit, 1305 clinical hour Pediatric Nurse Practitioner and DNP program can be completed in part-time or full-time study. The curriculum will focus on child development and behavior, parenting, health promotion, disease prevention, and the management of common illnesses in children. The following courses are required for this program.

Core

Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Clinical Hrs.
PNP 5104	Advanced Pediatric Pathophysiology	3	
PNP 5105	Pediatric Clinical Pharmacology	3	
ADHA 5108	Health Assessment in Children & Adolescents	3	
NURS 5102	Nursing Research	4	

Supplemental

Course #	Course Title	Cr. Hrs.	Clinical Hrs.
PNP 5109	Child Development and Behavior within Families	3	
NURS 6200	Advanced Health Promotion Across Diverse Cultures *	3	
NURS 6100	Principles of Epidemiology & Statistics*	4	
NURS 5402	Introduction to the APN Role	1	
NURS 5403	Advanced Practice Nursing Role Transition	2	

Specialty

PNP 5107	Primary Care of Children I	6	180
PNP 5108	Primary Care of Children II	6	180
PNP 5301	Child Health APN Theory and Practicum I	7	180
PNP 5402	Child Health APN Theory and Practicum II	5	180

*(DNP level course)

DNP Foundational COURSES

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NURS 5610	Information Technology for Evidence-based Practice	3	
NURS 5620	Healthcare Ethics for the Nurse Leader	3	

UNIVERSAL CORE COURSES

NURS 6700	Methods and Appraisal of Evidence for Advanced Nursing Practice	3	135
NURS 6410	Clinical Inquiry Seminar, I	1	
NURS 6000	Health Policy	3	
NURS 6100	Principles of Epidemiology & Statistics**	4	
NURS 6200	Advanced Health Promotion Across Diverse Cultures**	3	
NURS 6300	Theory Application in the Clinical Setting	3	
NURS 6500	Interdisciplinary Leadership, Quality and Collaboration	2	
NURS 6600	Health Care Economics and the Business of Practice	3	
NURS 6400	Knowledge Translation for Advanced Nursing Practice	3	135
NURS 6710	Clinical Inquiry Seminar , II	1	

DNP Cognate Courses

NURS 6920	Selected Practice Cognate DNP Role Development Immersion	4	135
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DNP Foundational COURSES

NURS 6900	DNP Residency and Project (Capstone Course)	4	180
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	Totals	83	1305
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** (Course taken as part of PNP curriculum)