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What is a Nurse Practitioner?

An **NP** is an accredited senior clinical nurse that has been recognised by the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia as an endorsed nurse practitioner after completing a Master of Advanced Nursing Practice (Nurse Practitioner).

What is the difference between an NP and a nurse?

Nurse practitioners are experienced in diagnosing and treating people of all ages with a variety of acute and chronic health conditions.

NPs can do the following:

- Diagnose and treat health conditions
- Design and implement therapeutic regimens
- Initiate and receive referrals from health professionals
- Order and interpret blood and radiology tests
- Prescribe medications

Becoming a Nurse Practitioner

You can make a positive impact in Australian health care when becoming a nurse practitioner. For many, the benefits are vast, advancing your career and being a specialist will provide much needed quality health care in your community.

By becoming a **Nurse Practitioner** you are making a positive contribution to you community by providing;

- Access a highly trained medical professional
- Improvements in patient outcomes and medical care
- Fast tracking of patients to appropriate medical professionals
- Targeted medical care in at-risk communities, rural and remote
- Medicare rebates for selected NP appointments
- The ability to prescribe PBS-listed medications

"Being the first specialist NP focused on immunisation in Victoria allowed me to prove the model was a success and allows me to offer great service to my patients and their families. Before becoming an NP I felt there was something missing in the process and feel there is a great demand for nurse practitioners and the holistic service they provide."

Sonja, Victoria
Nurse Practitioner Immunisation for Pre-Natal and Post Natal Care

Where can I be, What can I do?

A career as a nurse practitioner offers an opportunity to join one of the most highly regarded and trusted professions and make a difference to the health and well being of people across Australia in regional, rural and metropolitan areas.

NPs can work in the areas of:

- Emergency
- Aged care
- Drug and alcohol
- Medical
- Surgical
- Private practice
- Rural and remote medicine
- Women's health
- Mental health
- Paediatrics
- Plus more

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