Are you an aspiring Nurse Practitioner?

Fulfil your passion and take your next step.



## **NURSE PRACTITIONERS**

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## Nurse Practitioner career path



Application to become endorsed as a nurse practitioner is made to the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA). As a skilled and experienced nursing role functioning in both collaborative and autonomous practice, a number of key requirements are necessary. To consider this as your next career option and to be ready for this step, the following is required:

- 1. current registration as a Division 1 Registered Nurse in Australia without conditions/restrictions relating to unsatisfactory professional practice
- 2. equivalent full time experience of at least three years (5,000 hours) at an advanced clinical nursing level of practice 3. completion of an NMBA approved Masters course

In addition, endorsement as a nurse practitioner will be in the area of clinical speciality that you will practice as a nurse practitioner. The scope of practice of the nurse practitioner enables nurse practitioners to manage episodes of care, including focused care, as a primary provider.

## Continuing professional development

Continuing professional development for nurse practitioners includes the required 20 hours expected of all registered nurses, together with an additional 10 hours of CPD each year relating to prescribing and administration of medicines, diagnostic investigations, consultation and referral.

Complete an accredited Bachelor of Nursing course

Complete a Graduate Nurse year

Commence work within a specialty area of clinical practice

Undertake an NMBA approved post graduate course

Complete 2,000 hours (EFT 2 years) in advanced clinical nursing role

Complete an NMBA approved Masters degree

Complete total 5.000 (EFT 3 years) hours full time in advanced clinical practice

Apply to the NMBA for Endorsement as an NP

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