The Role of the Advanced Practice Nurse in Perianesthesia Care
What is an Advanced Practice Nurse?

- Completed an **ACCREDITED** graduate program (MS or DNP) with appropriate **EDUCATION** and clinical experiences preparing him/her for one of four recognized APRN roles: CRNA, CNM, CNS or CNP
- Has passed an accredited national **CERTIFICATION** exam
- **LICENSED** as an APRN in one of four roles
CRNA

• Prepared to provide the full spectrum of patient’s anesthesia and anesthesia related care for individuals across the lifespan, whose health status may range from healthy through all levels of acuity, including individuals with immediate, severe, or life-threatening illnesses or injury.
This care is provided in diverse settings, including hospital surgical suites, obstetrical delivery rooms, critical care units, acute care, pain management centers, ambulatory care centers and in the offices of dentists, podiatrists, ophthalmologists, and plastic surgeons.
CRNA in peri-anesthesia care

- Preoperative: Pre-anesthetic clearance
- Intra-operative: Direct anesthesia delivery
- Postoperative: Care management
CNM: Nurse Midwife

• Prepared to provide a full range of primary health care services to women throughout the lifespan, including gynecological care, family planning services, preconception care, prenatal and postpartum care, childbirth and care of the newborn. May include care of male partner for STI and reproductive health.
The care is provided in diverse settings, which may include the home, hospital, birthing center and a variety of ambulatory care settings including private offices, community and public health clinics.
CNM in peri-anesthesia care

- Preoperative: Prenatal care
- Intra-operative: Mother support and baby care
- Postoperative: Mother and baby care
Clinical Nurse Specialist (CNS)

• Prepared to provide care across the continuum and through three spheres of influence: patient, nurse, system. The three spheres are over-lapping and inter-related but each sphere has a distinct focus. In each sphere, the primary goal of the CNS is continuous improvement of patient outcomes and nursing care.
CNS Spheres of Influence

CNS practice conceptualized as core competencies in 3 interacting spheres actualized in specialty practice, and guided by specialty knowledge and standards.
The CNS is responsible and accountable for diagnosis and treatment of health/illness states, disease management, health promotion, and prevention of illness and risk behaviors among individuals, families, groups and communities.
Clinical Nurse Specialist Domains-in peri-anesthesia care

- Clinical Expert
- Educator
- Consultant
- Clinical Inquiry
- Manager Leader
Nurse Practitioner (CNP)

Prepared to provide care along the health-illness continuum in providing direct primary and acute care and management of chronic illnesses. NP diagnose and treat those with undifferentiated symptoms as well as those with established diagnoses. Provide initial, ongoing and comprehensive care by taking health histories, performing PE, health assessments, ordering labs and imaging and making referrals.
CNP

• Care includes health promotion, disease prevention, health education, and counseling, along with diagnosis and management of acute and chronic diseases. CNP specialize in role and population and may practice in primary care and acute care.
CNP in peri-anesthesia care

- Preoperative: Pre-surgical clearance
- Intra-operative: Very limited role if any
- Postoperative: Direct care management
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• Nurses should practice to the full extent of their education and training
• Nurses should achieve higher levels of education and training through an improved educational system that promotes seamless academic progression
• Nurses should be full partners with physicians and other healthcare providers in redesigning healthcare
IOM Report

• Remove scope of practice barriers
• Expand opportunities for nurses to lead and diffuse collaborative improvement efforts
• Implement nurse residency programs to facilitate transition to practice
• Increase the number of BS prepared RNs to 80% by 2020
• Double the number of nurses with a doctorate by 2020
• Ensure nurses engage in life-long learning
• Prepare and enable nurses to lead change to advance health
The Advanced Practice Nurse in peri-anesthesia Care
References


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