

The perfect springboard to launch a meaningful career

APNA—supporting the next generation of primary health care nurses

The Australian Primary Health Care Nurses Association (APNA) is the peak body for nurses working in primary health care.

But hang on, what's primary health care nursing? In short, primary health care nurses work in a range of settings each sharing the characteristic that they are the first level of contact that individuals, families and communities have with the health care system. General practice, community health, correctional and custodial facilities, schools, indigenous health and more—we are all primary health care nurses. And together, we are a nurseforce to be reckoned with.

Take the best possible step into your career, with APNA

As a student member of APNA, you will strengthen your career profile by gaining foundational skills and knowledge, immersing yourself in key industry news, meeting and connecting with leaders in the profession, and accessing career support and advice.

Whether you want to treat refugees in a nurse-led clinic, publish research as an academic or perhaps make a name for yourself as the nurse immuniser at a general practice—the best part of choosing primary health care nursing as your career is that the possibilities are endless.

APNA welcomes all students who are undertaking a diploma or bachelor of nursing and have sparked up an interest in primary health care nursing.

Be part of it, join APNA today



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Your career investment

Access to 200+ hours of free and discounted online learning tailored to primary health care



Professional development is at your fingertips from the comfort of your home, school library, or even on your semester break holiday in Europe, with APNA's Online Learning platform. The CPD possibilities are endless with online learning topics such as diabetes, asthma, haemochromatosis, influenza prevention, mental health, scope of practice, basic pharmacology, health literacy, ulceration of the lower legs and leadership—you name it, we've got it.

Supporting recently graduated or experienced nurses working in an unfamiliar primary health care setting



APNA's Transition to Practice Program (TPP) provides an evidence-based framework of education over 12-months to nurses who have transitioned to primary health care and feel they would benefit from additional support.

This program will build your foundational knowledge, skills, and confidence through professional and clinical development. We mentor and support you while enhancing your competency, confidence, and capacity as a nurse working in primary health care. Our program enables you to work to your full scope of practice, equipping you for effective team-based care to achieve better health outcomes in primary health care.

APNA will help you lay the foundation to a healthy career: Join as a student member

Visit www.apna.asn.au to join or contact the APNA Membership Team by dialing 1300 303 184 or email membership@apna.asn.au

Get an abundance of news and information from primary health care and the broader health industry



Our weekly e-newsletter, The Connect, feeds you the latest information about your profession and the broader health industry with links to websites and nurse-relevant resources, and opportunities. We also have the Primary Times – a bi-annual dose of the latest industry and clinical news, sent straight to your door and to your phone.

Providing opportunities for nursing students to undertake primary health care placements



The APNA Student Nurse Placement Program highlights primary health care nursing as a rewarding and attractive career choice upon graduation. And why wouldn't you consider this, given our supervisors have a wealth of knowledge and experience and are incredibly passionate about their profession?

You will be able to broaden your scope of practice, work as a valued clinical member of a team, develop nurse-led clinics and did we mention that no two days are ever the same. You can make a difference, get involved; this is your chance!

Feast your ears on our Nursing Australia Podcast – providing news and education podcast for Australian Nurses



Featuring the latest news nurses need to know, powerful interviews, education segments and stories from nurses on the frontline of Australian health. Available on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and Google Podcasts.

Connect with other nurses and expand your professional circle



You're now part of a community of thousands of nurses working in primary health care. No matter how many miles apart, APNA's new Online Member Community and member-exclusive Facebook Group provides a space where members can post questions, answers, and resources.

Have your voice heard and help shape the profession



One feel-good thing about joining APNA is that you're part of a movement that's working on changing the primary health care nurse role for the better. With support from our members, APNA has become a stronger influencer of national health care policy, to increase the profile and value of primary health care nursing, with benefits for the Australian community. As a student member, your input will influence APNA's advocacy—this is your opportunity to have your voice heard.