

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER

Letter from the Accreditation Manager

Dear Consortium Members,

As we enter the final stretch of the year, I'm excited to share some important updates and initiatives that highlight our continued commitment to excellence in postgraduate APP training.

One of the major efforts currently underway is our work on the renewal of our petition for Federal Recognition by the U.S. Department of Education (ED). This process is a vital step for us in upholding the highest standards that define our programs. By renewing our Federal Recognition, we ensure that our accredited programs continue to meet the rigorous criteria that set the benchmark for quality in postgraduate APP education. This renewal is not just a formality; it's a reaffirmation of the exceptional work that all of you do in advancing healthcare.

Alongside this, we've completed three accreditation site visits this fall, with two more planned for the winter. These visits allow us to connect with programs directly, offering support and ensuring that our high standards are consistently met across the board.

Looking forward, we've begun planning our 2025 Annual Conference. While the conference is still in its early planning stages, you can expect it to be another great opportunity to engage with colleagues and share insights on advancing postgraduate APP training.

In the meantime, we have a series of exciting events coming up, including our Accreditation Office Hours. These sessions are a great opportunity to ask questions, explore accreditation topics, and connect with peers:

- November 7, 2024, at 3PM ET
- December 5, 2024, at 12PM ET
- December 12, 2024, at 3PM ET

I encourage all members to participate and make the most of these opportunities.

Thank you for your continued dedication and involvement in the Consortium. Together, we're making significant strides in strengthening postgraduate APP training programs, and I look forward to seeing how we'll continue to grow and evolve.

With gratitude,
Shay Felder

2024 ANNUAL CONFERENCE REVIEW



We're excited to share the highlights from our incredible conference titled "Collaboration, Support, and Community in Postgraduate APP Training," held on July 22-23, 2024, in San Diego, California.

From insightful sessions to dynamic networking opportunities, this year's conference was a testament to the power of coming together as a community to advance postgraduate APP training. We explored key topics such as quality improvement, finance and ROI, and program expansion, and celebrated the start of residency and fellowship years for APP programs nationwide.

📺 Watch the Highlights Video to relive the memorable moments and hear from our amazing speakers and participants:

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Thank you to everyone who made this event a success. Here's to continued collaboration and support in advancing our field!

Keep your eyes out for information on the 2025 Annual Conference in July. Dates coming soon!



ACCREDITATION ACTIVITY

Congratulations to **El Rio Health APRN Residency Program** in Tucson, AZ, **HealthLinc Family Nurse Practitioner Residency Program** in Valparaiso, IN, **International Community Health Services Advanced Practice Provider Residency Program** in Seattle, WA!

All three programs received re-accreditation for five years on August 8th, September 12th, and October 7th respectively. Congratulations to all three programs!

Congratulations to the **Lamprey Health Family Nurse Practitioner Fellowship** in Raymond, NH! Lamprey Health received initial accreditation on July 11th for three years. Congratulations to the Lamprey Health Nurse Practitioner Fellowship Program!



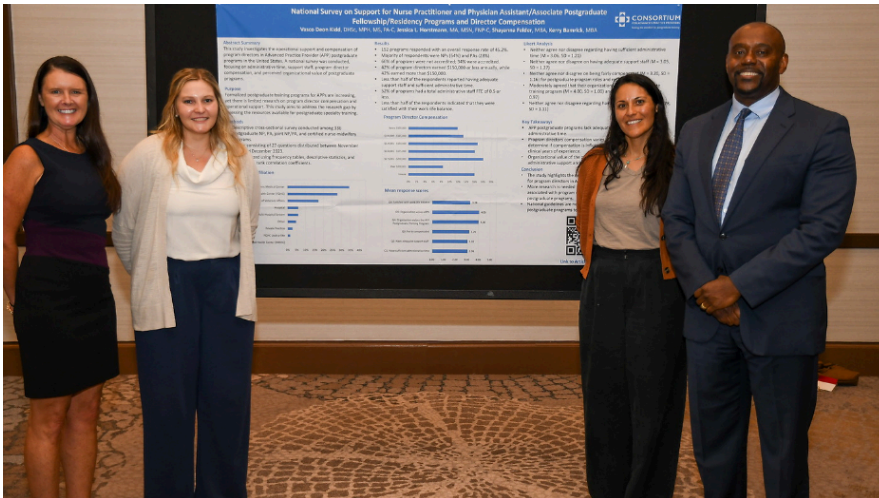
GRADUATION HIGHLIGHT

September marked a significant month in many new NPs and PAs careers as they start their residency and fellowship year, but it's also important to recognize those who are finishing or finished in August their fellowship and residency year. Below a few photos of graduations from across the country of our accredited programs. We're excited to see where you go next on this journey, and hope you continue your support of APP Postgraduate Training Programs! Continue showing your support and stay connect by becoming a member of the Consortium today.



NEW PUBLISHED RESEARCH!

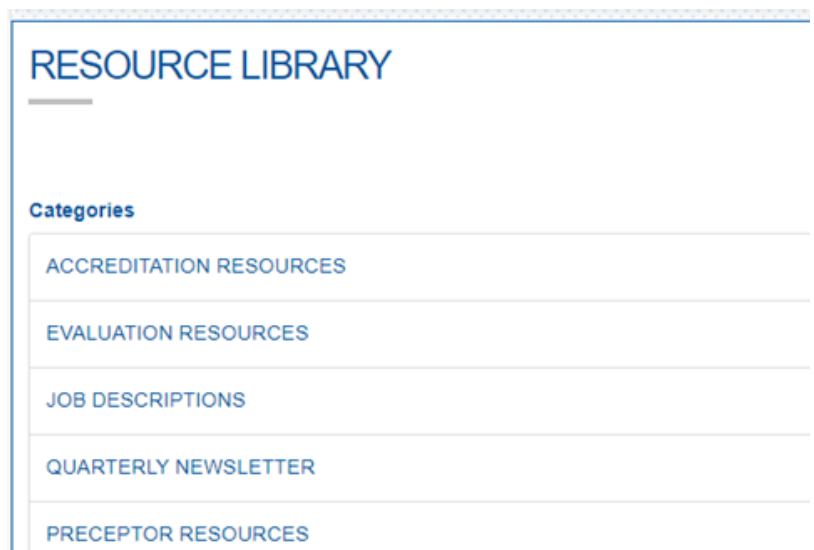
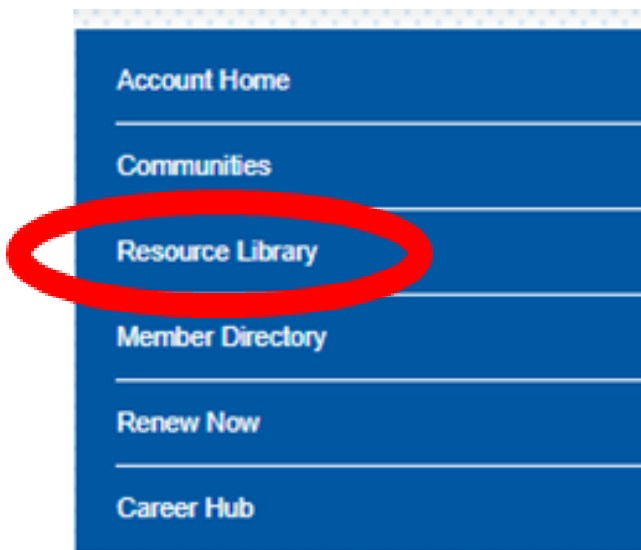
There continues to be more and more published research on Postgraduate APP Training in 2024. Consortium Leadership, **Kerry Bamrick**, MBA and **Shay Felder**, MBA, co-published a second article with lead-author **Vasco Deon Kidd**, DHSc, MPH, MS, PA-C and **Jessica Horstmann**, MSN, APRN FNP-C, on ***An Analysis of Trainee Salaries Offered in Nurse Practitioner and Physician Assistant/Associate Postgraduate Residency and Fellowship Programs in the United States***. Read the full article [here](#).



Another article of note is ***Outcomes of postgraduate fellowships and residencies for nurse practitioners: An integrative review*** authored by **Kevin E. McDonough**, MSN, AGACNP-B. [Read the full article here.](#)

RESOURCE LIBRARY

Need a template for job descriptions, preceptor resources, or evaluations? Check out our new Resource Library on the Consortium Membership website! After logging in, go to the right hand menu and click on Resource Library. Don't see something you're looking for in the library? Post in one of our forums! Documents posted to the forum will be added to the Resource Library.



ACCREDITED PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

HealthLinc Community Health Center

HealthLinc, a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), serves over 44,500 patients annually in its twelve clinics located across northern Indiana. Many of HealthLinc's patients are uninsured and underinsured, or on Medicaid and Medicare, making them a vital resource in their communities.

In 2016, HealthLinc began a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Residency Program to help the organization meet the ever-growing needs of its patients. The program was awarded accreditation in 2021. It is the only program of its kind in northern Indiana.

The HealthLinc FNP Residency Program is designed for new family nurse practitioners who are committed to developing career practices in the challenging setting of community health centers. It provides intensive training on both the clinical complexity of family practice and the high-performance Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) model.

HealthLinc is committed to whole-person, integrated health care, and residents work beyond the physical health needs of patients. They also receive training in responding to patients who experience mental health and substance use issues and in caring for the LGBTQ+ community.

Residents are also part of the collaboration between HealthLinc and other community organizations that work together to overcome barriers to accessing health care, including patients with civic-legal issues, those needing health insurance enrollment and post-enrollment assistance, transportation and housing challenges, food insecurity and more.

Under the direction of program and HealthLinc leadership, the program provides support and helps new FNPs build confidence and refine their skills. They also have access to HealthLinc University and the training and development staff responsible for advancing the education, experience and careers of HealthLinc employees, including residents.

The goal is to expand HealthLinc clinics and fill the pipeline with top nursing talent. A bonus would be for FNP Residency graduates to eventually become preceptors themselves and help with the residency program, work with leadership, assist with advancements, etc. Since its inception, the HealthLinc FNP Residency Program has:

- Cohorts each year: 1 with second year of independent care.
- Residents per cohort: 4+
- Graduates: 18
- Graduates hired: 13 (9 are still employed)



The HealthLinc FNP Residency focuses on what lies ahead, what the future of nursing looks like and how to best prepare the next generation of healthcare providers.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Regional Membership Meetings

Connect with other Consortium members in your region during our bi-annual regional membership meetings! Join us as we discuss Consortium events, give us your feedback as a member, and network with other members in your geographic region.

Below is a list of the remaining Meetings:

- West Coast Regional Meeting: October 22 at 12PM PT
- Bi-Annual Membership Meeting: December 11 at 3pm ET

Administrative Meetings

Are you or someone on your team interested in joining other non-clinical program managers and coordinators to discuss post-graduate residency and fellowship ideas, best practices, and for support? Email Michael Glorioso, NP Residency Program Coordinator at HealthLinc at mglorioso@healthlincchc.org to join the meetings throughout the year

Accreditation Office Hours

Join us for our Accreditation Office Hours this fall. Whether you are exploring accreditation, have questions about the process, or simply want to connect with peers, this is the perfect opportunity.

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Secure your spot today and join the conversation: https://lnkd.in/e9_DkTKy

BY THE NUMBERS

34 programs NP and NP/PA Consortium Accredited Programs

- [Learn more how your program can become accredited here!](#)

548 NP, PA, and Joint NP/PA Programs in the US!

- [View the national listing of Postgraduate NP, PA, and Joint NP/PA Programs here](#)

127 Postgraduate APP Alum in 2022-2023 from Consortium Accredited Programs

