



Dear Consortium Members,

As we welcome the summer of 2025, the Consortium for Advanced Practice Providers is thriving, embracing new opportunities and navigating the evolving healthcare landscape. With the demand for advanced practice providers (APPs) at an all-time high, ensuring that postgraduate training programs are prepared to meet these challenges remains at the core of our mission.

One of the most anticipated events each year is the Consortium's Annual Conference. This year's theme, *Navigating the Future: 20 Years of Sustaining Excellence in APP Postgraduate Training*, celebrates two decades of growth and collaboration in the field. The conference will be held July 13-15, 2025, at the Grand Hyatt in Denver, CO, with pre-conference workshops on July 13. Whether you are launching a new program, expanding an existing one, or pursuing accreditation, this event offers practical insights, expert-led sessions, and valuable peer-driven discussions.

As state and federal mandates continue to evolve, we recognize the complexities NP, PA, and joint NP/PA postgraduate training programs face. Our commitment to supporting programs remains unwavering. For guidance on accreditation standards and compliance, please reach out to Kerry Bamrick, Executive Director at Kerry.Bamrick@APPpostgradtraining.com.

The Consortium remains steadfast in its commitment to preparing the next generation of healthcare providers. Thank you for your continued support in advancing the field of advanced practice providers. We are stronger together,

and as always, if you have any questions or need further information, please don't hesitate to reach out.

With gratitude,

Shay Etheridge, MBA

Program Manager, Consortium for Advanced Practice Providers



Join us for the **8th Annual Conference of the Consortium for Advanced Practice Providers**, on **July 13–15, 2025**, at The Grand Hyatt Denver. This year's theme, *Navigating the Future: 20 Years of Sustaining Excellence in APP Postgraduate Training*, reflects two decades of national progress and ten years of collaboration through the Consortium for Advanced Practice Providers. View the [conference agenda here](#).

Conference Highlights:

- **Pre-Conference Workshops – Sunday, July 13**

Choose from four targeted sessions tailored to support APP program success at every level:

- *Preceptor 101* – Foundations for new preceptors
- *Preceptor 201* – Advanced skills for experienced preceptors
- *Administration & Operations* – Strengthening program leadership and structure
- *Leadership* – Skills for new and developing leaders

[Register for Pre-Conference Workshops](#)

- **Main Conference – July 14–15**

Join us for two days of high-impact sessions, including a keynote on APP leadership, and topics such as financial sustainability, accreditation, curriculum design, AI integration, and learner support.

[Register for the Main Conference](#)

- **Sponsorship & Exhibitor Opportunities**

We're actively seeking **Conference Sponsors and Exhibitors**. This is a unique opportunity to connect with a national audience of program directors, trainees, administrators, and more.

[Register to be a Sponsor or Exhibitor](#)

Hear how the conference creates a meaningful experience for attendees.



Accreditation Office Hours Posted

Join us for accreditation office hours in 2025. Whether you are exploring accreditation, have questions about the process, or simply want to connect with peers, this is the perfect opportunity. Below is a list of the office hours to take advantage of this year:

- [August 14, 2025 at 3:00 pm ET](#)
- [September 24, 2025 at 12:00 pm ET](#)
- [October 15, 2025 at 3:00 pm ET](#)

- [November 18, 2025 at 12:00 pm ET](#)
- [December 10, 2025 at 3:00 pm ET](#)

Every Program Has A Story

Two of the Consortium's site visitors, Brendan McDonald, DNP, ARNP, PMHNP-BC, *University of Washington Advanced Practice Psychiatric Provider (APPP) Fellowship Program*, and Garrett Matlick, DNP, MPH, APRN, FNP-BC, PMHNP-BC, *Community Health Center, Inc.'s Nurse Practitioner Residency Training Program*, recently shared their experiences stepping into the accreditation site visitor role and what they have taken away from observing and supporting programs across the country.

A Front-Row Seat to Innovation and Impact



For Brendan, the journey began at the 2023 Consortium Conference, just as he was launching the University of Washington's PMHNP postgraduate program. Newly immersed in the program director role, Brendan was drawn to the opportunity to "see how other people built and ran their own programs" and to "contribute to the growth of APP postgraduate training." His biggest surprise? The speed and intensity of the accreditation process.

"You hear it's a whirlwind, but you have to experience it," he said. "To my surprise, the intensity gave me the focus to really dive into the material." What stood out most were the creative ways programs interpret and implement the accreditation standards—reminding him that excellence does not look the same everywhere. "I left feeling inspired," Brendan said. "My view of program quality and opportunity has evolved, and I'm even more motivated to improve our own program."

Lessons from the Field: Objectivity and Community



Garrett's path started with his firsthand experience as a postgraduate trainee at the Community Health Center, Inc. in Connecticut. The intense, two-day accreditation site visitor training helped him expand beyond his clinical lens and into the world of administration and operations. "That first accreditation site visit, when I served as an observer helped me

understand how to be truly objective; judging against the accreditation standards, not my own experience," he reflected. Now as a clinical program director at the Community Health Center, Inc., Garrett has completed ten accreditation site visits and values the diversity he sees. "There's no one right way to build a program," he said. "But having standards ensures every trainee has a solid foundation."

Garrett emphasized that the most rewarding part of being a site visitor is the community. "Everyone wants to see each other succeed," he noted. "Years ago, trainees had to travel far for programs. Now, local pipelines are being built. I have seen 100% retention in new programs where graduates stay in their communities. That's powerful."

Apply for Fall 2025 Accreditation Site Visitor Training

Are you passionate about advancing Nurse Practitioner (NP) and Physician Associate/Assistant (PA) postgraduate training? The Consortium for Advanced Practice Providers is now accepting applications for the Fall 2025 Accreditation Site Visitor Training Course.

Accreditation Site Visitors play a crucial role in supporting APP Postgraduate training programs through the accreditation process by offering constructive insights and evaluating alignment with the Consortium's rigorous accreditation standards. This is a unique opportunity to deepen your expertise, contribute to the profession, and build a national network of APP educators and leaders.

Training Dates (Virtual):

- Saturday, October 4, 2025 | 12:00 – 5:00 PM ET
- Saturday, November 8, 2025 | 12:00 – 5:00 PM ET

Training covers:

- Accreditation standards and evaluation process
- Best practices for conducting site visits
- Writing clear, constructive feedback and site visitor reports

Eligibility:

We're looking for clinicians, educators and administrators with experience in APP Postgraduate training. You do not need to have an accredited program to apply.

Application Requirements:

- A current CV or resume
- A letter of interest
- One letter of recommendation

Apply via our [application portal](#). For questions, please contact [Shay Etheridge](#). Join us in ensuring excellence in APP postgraduate training—apply today and help shape the future of our healthcare workforce.

Member Accreditation Activity



MIAMI BEACH
COMMUNITY
HEALTH CENTER

[Miami Beach Community Health Center APP Postgraduate Residency Program](#)

Miami Beach, FL

Initial accreditation on 5/8/25 for three years



[Primary Care Nurse Practitioner Fellowship](#) and [Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Fellowship](#)

Rhode Island

Re-accreditation on 5/8/25 for five years



Heritage Health Nurse Practitioner Residency

Coeur d'Alene, ID

Initial accreditation on 6/12/25 for three years



**SAMUEL U. RODGERS
HEALTH CENTER**

Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center's Nurse Practitioner Residency Program

Kansas City, MO

Initial accreditation on 6/12/25 for three years



Cahaba Medical Care Nurse Practitioner Residency

Centreville, AL

Re-accreditation on 6/12/25 for five years

Postgraduate Training Programs By The Numbers

- **40 NP and NP/PA Postgraduate Training Programs accredited.** Learn more [here](#)
- **563 NP, PA, and Joint NP/PA Programs in the United States.** View a national listing of all programs [here](#).
- **178 Postgraduate trainees in the 2024-2025 cohort of programs accredited.**
- **980 APP Postgraduate Alumni from our accredited programs**

Recently Published Research

We're proud to share new research that highlights the vital role postgraduate training plays in advancing the practice of nurse practitioners (NPs) and physician assistants/associates (PAs).

Meaghan Angers and colleagues' recent study, *Evaluation of a Learning Collaborative to Implement Postgraduate Nurse Practitioner (NP) and/or Physician Associate (PA) Residency or Fellowship Programs in a Community Health Center*, explores the key factors that support or hinder the launch of postgraduate training programs in federally funded health centers. The study highlights how leadership support, clinical backing, and dedicated planning time play a crucial role in successfully establishing these programs, while limited funding and competing priorities remain major barriers. These insights underscore the importance of strategic investment and mission-driven planning to build a sustainable primary care workforce. [Read the full article here.](#)



This study adds to the growing body of evidence that postgraduate training is essential to preparing NPs and PAs for the challenges of modern healthcare - strengthening both individual providers and the systems they serve.


[Read Full Article](#)

Webinar Recording Available: The Power of Advanced Practice Providers (APPs) and APP Postgraduate Training


On May 20, the [Moses/Weitzman Health System](#) hosted an insightful panel discussion exploring how APP postgraduate training programs are strengthening the healthcare workforce. The conversation covered key topics including:


- The growing reliance on APPs in health centers, hospitals, and other healthcare settings
- The importance of structured APP postgraduate training to ensure clinical readiness and quality care
- How accreditation standards help maintain excellence across more than 500 APP postgraduate programs nationwide


**Free Webinar:
The Power of
Advanced Practice
Providers and
Postgraduate Training**


Discover critical roles of APPs and how APP postgraduate residency and fellowship programs strengthen the nation's healthcare workforce.






Tuesday, May 20
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm EST



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