

Invitation to Participate in a Research Survey

Sustainability of Nurse Practitioner and Physician Assistant Residency and Fellowship Programs

You are invited to participate in a research study focused on understanding factors that influence the sustainability of nurse practitioner (NP) and physician assistant (PA) residency and/or fellowship programs.

Institutional Review Board (IRB)

This study has been reviewed and determined exempt by the UMass Chan Medical School Institutional Review Board. IRB Study Number: STUDY00003118

Purpose of the Study

The purpose of this study is to gather information about facilitators, barriers, and perceived challenges related to the development, maintenance, and sustainability of NP and PA residency and fellowship programs. The findings will be used to:

- Inform best practices for sustaining residency and fellowship programs.
- Disseminate findings through conference posters, podium presentations, and peer-reviewed manuscripts to support organizations interested in developing or maintaining such programs.

Who Can Participate

You may be eligible to participate if you are involved in, or have experience with, NP and/or PA residency or fellowship programs, including program leadership, faculty, administrators, or key stakeholders.

What Participation Involves

Participation consists of completing an online survey that will take approximately 2–5 minutes of your time.

Voluntary Participation

Participation is completely voluntary. You may choose not to participate or to stop the survey at any time without penalty.

Risks and Benefits

There are no anticipated risks associated with participation. While there may be no direct benefit to you, the information gained may help inform and support current and future programs.

Confidentiality

The survey is completely confidential. No identifying information will be collected. Responses will be reported only in aggregate form, and data will be securely stored in a password protected OneDrive with access to the Co-PIs only.

Questions or More Information

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