

APN Resource List

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Dear Colleagues,

It is my sincerest hope that we all find success and happiness in our chosen profession. I have compiled this list of resources that may be used to advance our knowledge in every arena of Advanced Practice Nursing. This is intended to be an informal list of collected resources and may be added to at your leisure. I hope you are able to utilize the over 150 resources listed here. There are several pieces of advice from many Tennessee Advanced Practice Nurses who participate on the TNA Listserv. Special thanks to these professionals who submitted their favorite resources through the listserv; Jennifer Hanley, APN, Carolyn V. Whitaker, APRN, BC F.A.A.N, Pamela A. McKinney APRN, BC, Melissa Bolton, APN, and Peg Thorman Hartig, PhD, FNP-BC Professor, President, UTHSC Faculty Senate.

Many Blessings to you all,
Kimberly Extine RN, MSNc

I. Best Websites for Multiple Resources

George Washington Medical Center

<http://learn.gwumc.edu/hscidist/practice/home/weblinks.htm>

Vanderbilt

<http://www.mc.vanderbilt.edu/root/vumc.php?site=vanderbiltnursing&doc=11537>

II. Health Information/Anatomy Resources

[Doctor's Guide to the Internet](#)

[MEDSCAPE](#)

<http://www.martindalecenter.com/HSGuide.html> (WONDERFUL WEBSITE)

[HealthFinder.gov](#)

[Yahoo! Health Page](#)

[Medical Matrix](#) (GREAT SITE FOR ALL AREAS OF PRACTICE)

[MEDLINEplus](#), National Library of Medicine

III. Nurse Practitioner/Nursing/Medical Resources

Middle Tennessee Advanced Practice Nurse Association www.mtapn.org

[National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculties](#)

[National Assoc. of Pediatric Nurse Associates/Practitioners](#)

[National Institute of Nursing Research](#), NIH

[Resources for Nurses and Families](#), University of Central Florida (AWESOME WEBSITE)

Advance <http://www.advancefornp.com>

American Academy of Family Practice www.aafp.org

American Journal of Nursing

<http://www.ajnonline.com/pt/re/ajn/home.htm;jsessionid=LKQdnthTdGv7mHqTmMI9KynhmYzJ2n0WJnZQ9DDbQddgJzT03Bf6!774718804!181195629!8091!-1>

NP Central <http://nurse.org/> (Excellent website)

American Nursing Association <http://nursingworld.org/>
American Association of Colleges of Nurses
<http://www.aacn.nche.edu/Media/Backgrounders/apnursng.htm>
American Academy of Nurse Practitioners www.aanp.org
Advance for Nurse Practitioners <http://nurse-practitioners.advanceweb.com/>
Medscape <http://www.medscape.com/nursingjournal>
Nursing Knowledge International www.nursingknowledge.org
The Nations Nursing Community <http://www.nursinglink.com/>
Allnurses <http://allnurses.com/forums/f253/>
NurseZone <http://www.nursezone.com/default.aspx>
American College of Clinicians www.amcollege.com (NP's and PA's)
Greater Memphis Area Advanced Practice Nurses www.Memphisapns.org
Journal for Nurse Practitioners <http://www.npjjournal.org/>
Journal of Family Practice www.ifponline.com
GINA: Global Initiative for Asthma <http://www.ginasthma.com/>
West TN Nurse Practitioner Association <http://www.wtnpa.com>
Greater Memphis Area Advanced Practice Nurses <http://www.memphisapns.org/>
Advance for Nurse Practitioners <http://nurse-practitioners.advanceweb.com>
American Medical News <http://www.ama-assn.org>
eMedicine www.emedicine.com
Up To Date www.uptodate.com
American College of Chest Physicians <http://www.chestnet.org/>
American College of Healthcare Executives <http://www.ache.org/>

IV. Clinical Practice Guidelines/Evidence Based Medicine

(Anatomy, Pathology, Tutorials, and Case Studies)
HIPAA <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/hipaa/>
American with Disabilities Act <http://www.ada.gov/>
The Virtual Hospital, University of Iowa <http://www.uihealthcare.com/vh/>
[The Auscultation Assistant](#), UCLA (Awesome Tutorial)
[WebPath](#), University of Utah. (Excellent Pathology Website, also A&P)
[CEBM](#): Centre for Evidence-Based Medicine, Oxford University
[National Guideline Clearinghouse](#)
[UCSD Practice Guidelines Online](#)
<http://www.clinicianreviews.com/>
Nursing 2000 http://www.nursing2000inc.org/certification_guide.html

V. Primary Care Resources

[Mental Health Net](#)
[Arthritis Foundation](#)
[Diabetes Net](#)
[DiversityRx](#): culturally competent health care
[Association of Clinicians for the Underserved](#)
[American College of Preventive Medicine](#)
[Dr. Rose's Peripheral Brain](#)
[American Family Physician](#), online journal of AAFP
[New England Journal of Medicine](#)

[AMA Publications \(JAMA\)](#)
[Journal of Family Practice](#), Wayne State Univ., Michigan
[General Practice On-Line](#)

- VI. Pediatric/Adolescent Resources
- [Internet Resources for Advcd. Practice Pediatric Nurses](#), UCSF
 - [The General Pediatrician's View of the Internet](#)
 - [Developmental-Behavioral Pediatrics Online Community](#)
 - [National Parent Information Network](#)
 - [American Academy of Pediatrics](#)
 - [Pediatrics](#), journal of the AAP
 - [Bright Futures](#) Periodic Childhood Exam Guidelines
 - [National Center for Education in Maternal and Child Health](#)
 - [National Center for Infants, Toddlers, and Families](#)
 - [KidsHealth.org](#)
 - [Adolescence Directory Online](#), Indiana University
 - [AMA Adolescent Health On-Line](#)
 - [Society for Adolescent Medicine](#)
 - [American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry](#)
 - [Teenwire](#) PPFA

VII. Geriatric Resources

Geriatric Nursing <http://www.gjournal.com/>
Building Academic Geriatric Nursing Capacity <http://www.geriatricnursing.org/>

VIII. School Nurse Resources

[National Assembly on School-Based Health Care](#)
Health Care in Schools <http://www.healthinschools.org/>
[Center for Mental Health in Schools](#), UCLA

IX. Resources by Body System including HIV/AIDS

[HIV InSite: Gateway to AIDS Knowledge](#), UCSF

- [The Body](#)
- [Critical Path AIDS Project](#)
- [CDC Division of HIV/AIDS Prevention](#)
- [CDC HIV/AIDS Surveillance Report](#)
- [Association of Nurses in AIDS Care](#)
- [HIV InfoWeb](#)
- [Project Inform](#)

X. Women's Health

Planned Parenthood <http://www.plannedparenthood.org/index.htm>
[National Women's Health Information Center](#)
[OBGYN.net](#)
[Alan Guttmacher Institute](#)
[IVF - Ob-Gyn Online Resources](#)
[Allwise: Shared Wisdom for Women's Health](#)

[Online Birth Center](#)
[La Leche League International](#)
[World Alliance for Breastfeeding Action](#)
[Female Genital Mutilation Network](#)

XI. Holistic/Alternative Medicine

American Holistic Nurses Association <http://www.ahna.org/>
[American Assoc. of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine](#)
[Alternative Medicine Homepage](#)
[Acupuncture.com](#)
Holistic Nursing Practice Journal
<http://www.hnpjjournal.com/pt/re/hnp/home.htm;jsessionid=LLMhTHLXnVph12GGhSXRk6xYn68XvJPfMpRvW95vjBx3HWWd6JG3!670793751!181195628!8091!-1>

XII. Government Health Agencies

[Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#)
[CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report](#)
[National Institutes of Health](#)
[Agency for Health Care Research and Quality](#) (DHHS)
[Health Resources and Services Administration](#), DHHS [Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion](#), DHHS

XIII. Pharmacology

[PharmInfoNet](#), Pharmaceutical Information Network
[RxList](#), Internet Drug Index

Pharmacopeia (Submitted by: Jennifer Hanley, APN)
<http://www.pharmacopeia.com/wt/page/index>

Nurse Practitioner Prescribing Reference
Application <http://www.prescribingreference.com/pdf/OrderForm/npappNEW.pdf>
<http://www.prescribingreference.com/cs/showCS/which/NPcomp>

XIV. Starting a new practice

“Keep informed of legislative activities affecting your practice. Be involved in your professional organization and your specialty professional organization. Know what is going on locally, state and nationally in the professional realm. Keep yourself current in clinical practice.” Carolyn V. Whitaker, APRN, BC F.A.A.N.

Starting a Practice Solo or Group <http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/upload/mm/17/practiceopportunity.pdf> (Excellent)

CLIA- (regulates labs) Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) Program
<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/clia/>
<http://www.ama-assn.org/ama/pub/category/4555.html>

NP Central Articles

<http://www.npcentral.net/talks/dev.own.np.practice.pdf>

<http://www.npcentral.net/talks/top.ten.technologies.shtml>

<http://www.npcentral.net/protocol/>

XV. Coding/Billing/Reimbursement

Coding <http://www.codinginstitute.com/>

Medicare Payment Advisory Commission <http://www.medpac.gov/>

<http://www.aanp.org/search/search?query=medicare>

American Academy of Nurse Practitioners: Medicare Reimbursement

<http://www.aanp.org/Practice+Policy+and+Legislation/Legislation/Medicaid+Legislation/Position+Statements+and+Papers.htm>

XVI. Legality/Malpractice

Expert Witness <http://www.advancedpracticeconsulting.com/index.html>

National Council of State Boards of Nursing <https://www.ncsbn.org/170.htm>

American Medical News www.ama-assn.org/amednews/2008/02/04/bica0204.htm (See Archives for other GREAT articles)

Carolyn Buppert <http://www.buppert.com/> (Specific to Nurse Practitioners Submitted by Jennifer Hanly)

XVII. Scope of Practice (especially specific to areas of specialty)

[Tennessee State Board of Nursing](http://www.health.state.tn.us/Boards/Nursing/index.htm)

426 Fifth Avenue North

1st Floor - Cordell Hull Building

Nashville, TN 37247

<http://health.state.tn.us/Boards/Nursing/index.htm>

American Nurses Credentialing Center <http://www.nursecredentialing.org/>

American College of Allergy, Asthma and Immunology <http://www.acaai.org/>

American Academy of Nurse Practitioners <http://www.aanp.org/default.asp>

American college of Nurse Midwives www.midwife.org

National Association of Orthopaedic Nurses (NAON)- www.orthonurse.org

Minority Nurse <http://www.minoritynurse.com/index.html>

[American Association of Critical-Care Nurses](http://www.aacn.org/)

[American Psychiatric Nursing Association](http://www.psychiatrynurses.org/)

[Board of Certification for Emergency Nursing](http://www.nursingboard.org/)

[American Holistic Nurses Association](http://www.holisticnurses.org/)

[National Certification Board of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners and Nurses](http://www.npcprn.org/)

[National Certification Corporation for the Obstetric, Gynecologic, and Neonatal Nursing Specialties](http://www.nccnursing.org/)

[Oncology Nursing Certification Corporation](http://www.oncologynurses.org/)

Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association

<http://www.hpna.org/DisplayPage.aspx?Title=Advanced%20Practice%20Nurse>

American College of Preventative Medicine <http://www.acpm.org/>

American Association of Diabetes Educators

<http://www.diabeteseducator.org/ProfessionalResources/Certification/BC-ADM/index.html>

Wound Ostomy Continence Nursing Certification Board <http://www.wocncb.org/apcert/#4>

Association of Rheumatology Health Professionals <http://www.rheumatology.org/arhp/arhp-nppa-flyer.asp>

XVIII. Legislation & Links of Interest for APNs

Tennessee Nurses Association

545 Mainstream Drive, Suite 405

Nashville, TN 37228-1201

Phones: 615.254.0350

Fax: 615.254.0303

<http://www.tnaonline.org/>

National Association of Independent Nurses

<http://www.independentrn.com/>

XIX. Education/Research/CME's

National League of Nursing <http://www.nln.org/index.cfm>

National Practitioner Associates for Continuing Education <http://www.npace.org/>

American Board of Nursing Specialties <http://www.nursingcertification.org/index.html>

American Nurses Credentialing Center <http://www.nursecredentialing.org/cert/FAQ.html>

American Public Health Association <http://www.apha.org>

American Nursing Informatics Association <http://www.ania.org/Education.htm>

Becoming a Fellow <http://www.aannet.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=1>

Internship Program <http://www.mayo.edu/mshs/np-career.html>

Pri-Med www.pri-med.com

"...consider PriMed for CEUs go to PriMed.com

for details. Excellent 2 day meetings. No registration fees." Carolyn V. Whitaker, APRN,BC
F.A.A.N.,TNA listserv

"Your closest university's round table (monthly if possible) I

joined the Vandy psych one with one phone call. Great way to stay updated
and get contacts. Drug reposs-use them for additional books for your practice
site and educational dinners." Jennifer Hanely,APN

XX. Contract Negotiations

Salarywizard.com

"Always compare with PAs who tend to STILL run a bit higher
in your negotiating. Never undersell yourself as an NP. You are already
trained at a doctoral level by most standards and have years of experience
as an RN (most of you). Use it. Ask for reimbursement for books, one annual
conference and journal/membership subscriptions after you have settled on a

salary. They are necessary to keep you up to date and utilizing EBP.”Jennifer Hanley,ANP, TNA Listserv

“If employed be certain to negotiate to have employer reimburse you for your malpractice insurance, licensure renewal, DEA registration fee. YOU should by all means purchase your own malpractice insurance. It is not wise to allow employer purchase it for you! Also negotiate for a current quick reference library including computer with software that is appropriate for your practice.”Carolyn V. Whitaker, APRN,BC F.A.A.N.,TNA Listserv

FYI

Post-nominal initials

- NP-C (nurse practitioner - certified; if certified by the AANP)
- APRN, BC (advanced Practice Registered Nurse, Board Certified; if certified by the ANCC)
- CNP (certified nurse practitioner)
- ACNP-C (Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, Certified)
- CPNP (pediatric NP when certified by the pediatric nursing certification board (PNCB))
- CRNA (Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist)
- CRNP (certified registered nurse practitioner) used primarily in Pennsylvania
- MSN (master of science in nursing)
- MN (master of nursing)
- RN (registered nurse)
- FAAN (Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing (AAN))
- FAANP (Fellow of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners (AANP))
- CDE (certified diabetic educator)
- ND (nursing doctorate, being phased out due to confusion with Doctor of Naturopathy)
- DNP (doctor of nursing practice)
- DrNP (clinical doctorate in nursing)
- Initials of the NP's specialty may also follow their name:
 - ACNP (Acute care NP)
 - AHN (holistic NP)
 - ANP (adult NP)
 - ENP (emergency NP)
 - FNP (family NP)
 - GNP (geriatric NP)
 - NNP (neonatal NP)
 - PMHNP (Psychiatric and mental health Nurse Practitioner)
 - PNP (pediatric NP)
 - WHNP (women's health NP)
 - BC, PCM (board certified, palliative care management)
 - BC, ADM (board certified, advanced diabetes management)
 - RN(EP) - RN (Extended Practice), Manitoba, Canada
 - RN(NP) Registered Nurse-Nurse Practitioner, Saskatchewan, Canada