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Decreasing Barriers for Nurse Practitioner Social Entrepreneurship
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US Nurse Practitioners

- More than 248,000 nurse practitioners licensed in US
- 77.8% deliver primary care
- Since 2008, there has been a 43.2% increase in NPs practicing in rural areas

Rural Residents

- US - 19.3%
- World - 45%

Social entrepreneurs and their endeavors are driven by social goals, a desire to benefit society with an aim to increasing the social value and wellbeing of a community.

- Scope of Practice
- Business Skills
- Role Conflict
Scope of Practice

- “When patients come in from other states that do not recognize nurse practitioners then the clinic only receives the co-pay”
“You never realize how much business you were not taught. Even to the point of coding it was mostly trial and error. We had to start from scratch … providing patient status to insurance companies, Medicare numbers.”
- States reimburse NPs from 75 to 100% of the physician rate
- Medicare reimburses NPs at a rate of 85% of the physicians fee
- Medicare pays NPs 80% of the 85% of the physician fee schedule rate for a procedure.
“I am barely making my overhead, and I am still not paying myself a salary after a year and a half, and so I still need to have outside employment. It is slow going … I don’t know what the long term sustainability of my practice is going to be.”
Role Conflict

- “We are doing billing, we are doing the database … we remodeled the outside of the clinic, …. When you owe your own place you give up a lot of care time.”
- “The farther I get from patient care the less I like it.”
“If I am not here, nobody is here, there wasn’t a clinic here before.”

“almost a religious mission that somebody has to be there to take care of the community.”
Enablers

- Lawyers
- Accountants
- Business Startup Counselors
- Mentors

Disablers

- Lack of Business Skills
  - Finance
  - Legal Issues
- Running Day-to-day Operations

SE in Business Schools

- Management
  - Organization
  - Human Resources
  - Strategy
- Finance and Accounting
- Business Ethics

American Academy of Nurse Practitioners

The NP SAN hosts and records live webinars, also called Lunch n’ Leams, on topics related to patient & family-centered care, data-driven quality improvement and sustainable business operations. Each live webinar provides participants with forty-five minutes of lecture and fifteen minutes for an active question and answer discussion. The recorded webinars below are available, at no cost, to AANP members and non-members and do not include continuing education (CE) credit.

### Patient and Family-Centered Care Design

- Strategic Use of Practice Revenue
- The Science of Joy and Burnout
- Before You Start Your NP Business (Part 1)

### Continuous, Data-Driven Quality Improvement

- Starting Your Own Business - Part 2
- MIPS: What You Need to Know in Year 2 - A conversation with CMS
- Creating Long-Term Practice Success - Part 3
- From Graduation to Employment: Steps to Success
- Novice NP Workforce Transition & Turnover Intention in Primary Care
- Aligning Data and Policy Goals: The Relationship between NP Compensation and Value with CMS Change Tactics

The Nurse Practitioner Support and Alignment Network is a program of NNCC and supported via a National Cooperative Agreement with CMS.
U/G Nursing Programs

- New York University College of Nursing
- Northern Ireland Centre for Entrepreneurship (NICENT)

Graduate Nursing Programs

- New York University
- Drexel University
- Center for Nursing Entrepreneurship at the University of Rochester in New York
- Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship at Oxford University
Nursing Curriculum

- Finance
- Legal Regulations on Practice
- Leadership
- Clinic Management
“A key assumption of social entrepreneurs is that individuals who are poor are not helpless or dependent, but rather are partners and co-designers of solutions”

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