

What is an APRN

APRNs are advanced practice registered nurses who have completed graduate level education, are board certified by a nationally recognized certifying body, and deliver care in the following primary and specialty care settings.

- Anesthesia
- Acute Care
- Adult-Gerontology
- Family Health
- Neonatal
- Pediatric/Child Health
- Psychiatric/Mental Health
- Women's Health

APRNs include: nurse practitioners, clinical nurse specialists, certified nurse midwives, and certified registered nurse anesthetists.

What do They Do?

- Diagnose and treat acute and chronic illnesses
- Conduct and order diagnostic tests and labs
- Perform a History and Physical Exam
- Counsel and educate patients
- Perform and Assist in procedures
- Administer anesthesia (CRNA)
- Assess and Implement Quality Improvement measures

Where Can I Find One?

- Community clinics, health centers, urgent care centers
- Medical groups and private health care practices
- Home health care agencies
- Public health departments
- Hospitals and hospital clinics
- School/college clinics
- Skilled nursing facilities
- Emergency room settings

APRNs have been practicing in Missouri, serving its communities, since 1985. There are at least 8,093 APRNs practicing in Missouri. APRNs work side by side with other licensed healthcare professionals and have proven to significantly contribute to providing better access to care, quality care, and cost effective care, to meeting the demand of the growing healthcare population.