



Nurse Practitioners: *Create positive change in the health of all British Columbians.*

The BC Nurse Practitioner Association (BCNPA)

BCNPA is an independent, non-profit professional organization that is nearly 100% run by nurse practitioner (NP) volunteers.

We are the voice of BC NPs. We represent the unique perspectives and needs of NPs and their practice in the province's health and social policy system.

As an organization, we also:

- Provide expertise in how to integrate the NP perspective and practice into:
 - The broader healthcare system in BC.
 - Current models of care.
 - Current models of practice.
 - Health system planning.
 - Multi and interdisciplinary healthcare teams.
 - Provide expertise in how to maximize the NP role to improve health outcomes.
- Promote the perspective of NPs as healthcare providers who:
 - Diagnose health issues.
 - Treat health issues.
 - Prescribe treatment.

- Prescribe medications.
- Work autonomously in acute and primary care environments.
- Clarify the differences between NPs and other nursing professions.
- Collaborate with regulators to address barriers to practice, and improve healthcare delivery to British Columbians.
- Work with other nursing associations to create a unified nursing voice across the continuum of patient care.

Our Vision for NPs in BC

NPs are advanced practice nurses who practice autonomously and collaboratively to provide healthcare services that contribute to the health and well-being of British Columbians. NPs practice in diverse settings, improving access to healthcare by contributing to a system that is responsive to the needs of all in the province.

Our Mission

We support and advance the professional interests of BC NPs by promoting a social, economic, and political climate in which NPs can provide accessible, efficient and effective health care that meets the highest professional standards and scope of practice.



Become a BCNPA Member

Being a BCNPA member demonstrates that, together, we are a voice that matters.

Membership also demonstrates an individual NP's support for NP representation in BC, which is significant with employers and government.

The cost of membership is less than 75 cents/day and many health authority employers will reimburse this cost.

We operate on a very tight budget to ensure NP representation and leadership at multiple stakeholder tables.

Please support this work with your membership dollars.

Membership Cycle

The BCNPA membership year starts April 1st through to March 31st.

If you are purchasing a new membership or renewing your existing membership *after* October 1, please contact us at info@bcnpa.org for instructions on prorating.

Benefits of Membership

- Membership in CAAPN (Canadian Association of Advanced Practice Nurses).
- Fee discounts at BCNPA's annual NP Conference.
- Access to job postings.
- Networking with NPs around the province.
- Continuing Education Opportunities.
- Scholarship opportunity – the Beverley & John Carl Scholarship for Student Members of BCNPA.
- Quarterly BCNPA member newsletter.
- Opportunities to participate on the Board and a number of working committees to shape the organization:
 - Conference.
 - Membership.
 - Communications.
 - Nominations and Recognition.

Levels of Membership

- *Active*: NPs currently registered and practicing in BC. Members are able to vote at AGM. - \$240.
- *Student*: Students enrolled in a Canadian NP program. - \$90
- *Associate*: RNs or others interested in learning more about the NP role. - \$90

Visit <http://bcnpa.org/membership-options/> to purchase or renew your BCNPA members.