



**Practice Nursing
A career for you?**



GENERAL PRACTICE NURSING

- ◆ Support your local community
- ◆ Care from cradle to grave
- ◆ Excellent career opportunities
- ◆ No GP experience required: Training in post
- ◆ Excellent preceptorship programs

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What does a job as a General Practice Nurse (GPN) involve?

GPNs work with the whole family caring for them from cradle to grave including

- ♦ Administering medications
- ♦ Wound care
- ♦ Chronic disease reviews eg asthma, diabetes
- ♦ Vaccinations to both children and adults
- ♦ Travel health
- ♦ Cancer screening

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I find a job in general practice?

General practice recruits very differently to the big trusts. You have to remember that they are small businesses.

GPN Jobs are advertised on:

NHS Jobs, Indeed, practice website, local radio and newspapers, word of mouth

Not all practices are advertising but may have a vacancy

Create a CV and cover letter to take to your local practices. Examples available from Lincolnshire Training Hub

The job adverts ask for experience, how do I get this?

Many GPNs are retiring and practices are looking to fill these positions. Experience is desirable but not essential. Practices are instead looking for nurses with an insight and enthusiasm for general practice. Training courses are available in Lincolnshire to build fundamental skills such as childhood immunisations or cervical screening.

Experience in general practice can be gained through placements, insight visits or work. Students can choose to have their elective and management in general practice. Lincolnshire Training Hub can assist with insight visits. **You do not need experience in secondary care**

Frequently Asked Questions

What career opportunities are available to GPNs?

Career development in general practice can be both managerial and clinical for example

- ♦ General Practice Nurse
- ♦ Lead Practice Nurse
- ♦ Chronic Disease Specialist
- ♦ Advanced Nurse Practitioner
- ♦ Clinical Educator
- ♦ Lecturer
- ♦ Practice Partner

Many nurses will initially do a fundamentals in practice nursing module

How To Get Started

1. Arrange an insight into general practice through your university or Lincolnshire Training Hub

2. If you decide General practice is the place for you. . . Research practices in the local area. Locate jobs on NHS Jobs, local radio or newspapers and the practice website—Lincolnshire Training Hub can assist with word of mouth vacancies

3. Research local GPN Fundamental courses and funding available for you to access these courses—Lincolnshire Training Hub can assist with securing funding

4. Create a CV and cover letter to send to your local practices—Lincolnshire Training Hub can assist with examples and review your CV

5. Apply for jobs even if they ask for experience or are not offering the hours you would like. Many practices are open to negotiation for the right candidate

Remember. . .

General practices are individual small businesses, they cannot recruit on mass like the acute trusts. They also recruit closer to qualification than the larger trusts. Lincolnshire Training Hub are here to guide you throughout

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