#### COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT BOARDS OF NURSING AND MEDICINE AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT BOARDS

Department of Health Professions Henrico, Virginia 23233

## **BUSINESS MEETING** FINAL AGENDA

February 16, 2022 at 9:00 A.M.

Call To Order - Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC; Chair

## **Establishment of Quorum**

## <u>Announcement</u>

• Laurie Buchwald, MSN, WHNP, FNP, was appointed to the Board of Nursing on September 17, 2021 to replace Louise Hershkowitz. Ms. Buchwald's first term will expire on June 30, 2025. Ms. Buchwald was appointed by Ms. Gerardo, Board of Nursing President, to the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine as a nurse practitioner Committee Member on September 20, 2021

## A. <u>Review of Minutes</u>

A1 June 16, 2021	Business Meeting*
A2 August 6, 2021	Telephone Conference Call*
A3 October 13, 2021	Formal Hearing*

## **Dialogue with Agency Director** – Dr. Brown and or Dr. Allison-Bryan

## **Public Comment**

B. <u>Legislation/Regulations</u> – Ms. Yeatts
 B1 Chart of Regulatory Actions\*
 Report of the 2022 General Assembly\*

## C. <u>New Business</u>

- > Healthcare Workforce Data Center (HWDC) Reports
  - Virginia's License Nurse Practitioner Workforce: 2021
  - Virginia's Licensed Nurse Practitioner Workforce: Comparison by Specialty
- Members of Advisory Committee Appointment
  - Thokizeni Lipato, MD (1<sup>st</sup> term ends 2021)
  - ✤ Janet L. Setnor, CRNA (1<sup>st</sup> term ends 2021)

## 10:15 A.M - <u>Agency Subordinate Recommendation Consideration</u> – Joint Boards Member ONLY

- Daphne Carol Jenkins, LNP\*
- Vickie Lynn Boyd Stevens, LNP\*
- Maria Theresa Lee, LNP\*
- Oluwakemi Olubunmi Osidele, LNP\*

Next Meeting – Wednesday, April 20, 2022, at 9:00 A.M in Board Room 2

<u>Adjourn</u>

10:30 A.M. – <u>Administrative Proceedings</u> – Joint Boards Members ONLY

(\* mailed 2/2) (\*\* mailed 2/9)

## VIRGINIA BOARD OF NURSING COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT BOARDS OF NURSING AND MEDICINE VIRTUAL BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES June 16, 2021

TIME AND PLACE:		The virtual meeting of the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine via Webex was called to order at 9:02 A.M., June 16, 2021.
		Due to COVID-19 declared state of emergency and consistent with Amendment 28 to HB29 (Budget Bill for 2018-2020) and the applicable provision of §2.2-3708.2 in the Freedom of Information Act, the Committee convened a virtual meeting to consider such regulatory and business matters as was presented on the agenda for the Committee to discharge its lawful purposes, duties, and responsibilities.
	COMMITTEE MEMBERS PARTICIPATED	
	VIRTUALLY:	Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC; Chair Ann Tucker Gleason, PhD Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA David Archer, MD Karen Ransone, MD
	MEMBERS ABSENT:	Lori Conklin, MD
	ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PARTICIPATED	
	VIRTUALLY:	Kevin E. Brigle, RN, NP Mark Coles, RN, BA, MSN, NP-C David Alan Ellington, MD Stuart Mackler, MD Komkwuan P. Paruchabutr, DNP, FNP-BC, WHNP-BC, CNM Janet L. Setnor, CRNA
	STAFF PARTICIPATED VIRTUALLY:	Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE; Executive Director; Board of Nursing Robin L. Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice; Board of Nursing Stephanie Willinger, Deputy Executive Director for Licensing; Board of Nursing Huong Vu, Executive Assistant; Board of Nursing
	OTHERS PARTICIPATED VIRTUALLY:	Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General; Board Counsel David Brown, DO, Director; Department of Health Professions Barbara Allison-Bryan, MD; Chief Deputy, Department of Health Professions

	Elaine Yeatts, Policy Analyst; Department of Health Professions William L. Harp, MD, Executive Director; Board of Medicine Ann Tiller, Board of Nursing Compliance Manager Patricia Dewey, RN, BSN; Board of Nursing Case Manager Randall Mangrum, DNP, RN; Nursing Education Program Manager
PUBLIC PARICIPATED VIRTUALLY:	<ul> <li>W. Scott Johnson, Esquire/Hancock, Daniel &amp; Johnson, PC</li> <li>Ben Traynham, Hancock, Daniel &amp; Johnson, PC</li> <li>Kathy Martin, Hancock, Daniel &amp; Johnson, PC</li> <li>Clark Barrineau, Assistant Vice President of Government Affair, Medical</li> <li>Society of Virginia (MSV)</li> <li>Jerry J. Gentile, Department of Planning Budget (DPB)</li> <li>Gerald C. (Jerry) Canaan, II, Esq. Byrne Legal Group</li> <li>Julianne Condrey, VP Government and Association Relations, Aegis</li> <li>Association, LLC</li> <li>Andrew Lamar, Lobbyist, VPAP</li> <li>Kassie Schroth, Virginia Association of Nurse Anesthetists (VANA)</li> <li>Richard Grossman, Virginia Council of Nurse Practitioners (VCNP)</li> <li>Becky Bower-Lanier, Virginia Association of Nurse Specialists (VaCNS)</li> <li>Cynthia Ward, Virginia Association of Nurse Specialists (VaCNS)</li> <li>Lucy Smith</li> <li>Marjorie Smith, PMHCNS</li> <li>Aimee Seibert</li> <li>K. Wilkinson</li> <li>Mark Hickman</li> <li>Kristie Burnette</li> <li>Brandi Wood</li> <li>Rebecea Schultz</li> <li>Missy Wesolowski</li> <li>18044***82</li> <li>18044***65</li> <li>18046***40</li> </ul>
ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM:	Ms. Gerardo called the meeting to order and established that a quorum consisting of five members was present.
ANNOUNCEMENT:	<ul> <li>Ms. Gerardo noted the announcement as stated in the Agenda:</li> <li>Appreciation for Louise Hershkowitz' service on the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine.</li> </ul>
	Ms. Gerardo recognized that Ms. Hershkowitz has served on the Board of Nursing (BON) for eight (8) years, served as BON President, and served as Chair to the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine.

	<ul><li>Ms. Gerardo also thanked Ms. Hershkowitz for incorporating the Environmental Scan as well as educational training into the agendas of the Committee of the Joint Boards and to the BON as well as for her invaluable mentorship</li><li>Ms. Hershkowitz commented that it was an honor and privilege to serve on the BON and on the Committee of the Joint Boards.</li></ul>			
	There were no additional announcements.			
REVIEW OF MINUTES:	<ul> <li>Ms. Gerardo stated that staff provided the following documents electronically:</li> <li>▶ A1 April 21, 2021 Business Meeting</li> <li>▶ A2 April 21, 2021 Informal Conference</li> </ul>			
	Ms. Gerardo asked if the Committee had any questions regarding the minutes. None was noted.			
	Ms. Hershkowitz moved to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Archer. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.			
DIALOGUE WITH AGENCY DIRECTOR:	Dr. Brown reported the following: The Governor announced that the State of Emergency in Virginia due to COVID-19 will end on June 30, 2021, which means virtual meetings will also end. DHP staff have adjusted well to working remotely.			
	<ul> <li>Dr. Allison-Bryan reported on the COVID-19 vaccines as follows:</li> <li>69% of adult Virginians have been vaccinated with the goal to reaching 70% by July 4, 2021. 14 states have met this 70% goal</li> <li>Almost 40% of adolescents in Virginia have been vaccinated</li> </ul>			
	Ms. Gerardo inquired about the status of legislation regarding compensation for preceptors of nurse practitioner students. Dr. Brown replied that he has no updates at this time. Ms. Douglas noted that the Virginia Council of Nurse Practitioners (VCNP) and Virginia Nurses Association (VNA) will be the best resources regarding this matter.			
PUBLIC COMMENT:	Ms. Gerardo said that as indicated in the meeting notice on Regulatory Townhall and in the agenda package, comments will be received during this public comment period from those persons who submitted an email comment request to Huong Vu no later than 8 am on June 16, 2021.			
	Ms. Gerardo asked if any email requests had been received. Ms. Vu reported that an email request for public comment from Marjorie Smith, Psychiatric Mental Health Clinical Nurse Specialist (PMHCNS) was			

received.

Ms. Gerardo instructed Ms. Smith to limit her comment to 3-5 minutes.

Ms. Smith commented that she has been practicing as a CNS since 1990 and does not prescribe. She and many CNSs are impacted by the recent law passed which requires CNSs to have a practice agreement with a physician. Ms. Smith stated that she would need to discontinue providing care to her caseload of approximately 75 at-risk patients due to this new requirement. Ms. Smith asked for correction to the bill for those CNSs who do not prescribe. Ms. Smith added that if any CNSs who need help with finding a physician, please contact Lucy Smith, who is a PMHCNS and works for the Virginia Board of Nursing.

Ms. Gerardo then offered an opportunity to anyone who did not sign up to speak and reminded everyone to limit their comments to 3-5 minutes.

Katie Page, CNM, MSM, FACNM, President of Virginia Affiliate of American College of Nurse-Midwives, thanked the Board for their work on the autonomous practice for CNMs with 1,000 hours. Ms. Page offered her expertise if the Board needs help.

In the absence of additional requests for public comment, Ms. Gerardo concluded the public comment period.

#### LEGISLATION/ REGULATIONS:

Ms. Gerardo stated that the following documents were provided electronically by staff:

- **B1** Chart of Regulatory Actions as of June 1, 2021
- **B2** Chart of Post-General Assembly Actions/Studies
- B3 Regulatory Actions Adoption of Exempt Regulations Pursuant to 2021 Legislation Draft Regulations for Licensure of Nurse Practitioners (Chapter 30), and Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners (Chapter 40)
- B4 Fast-Track Changes for the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners(Chapter 30) and the Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners (Chapter 40) – verbal report

Ms. Gerardo invited Ms. Yeatts to proceed.

Ms. Yeatts reviewed **B1** and **B2** which were provided in the agenda.

**B3** Regulatory Actions – Adoption of Exempt Regulations Pursuant to 2021 Legislation Draft Regulations for Licensure of Nurse Practitioners (Chapter 30), and Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners (Chapter 40)

Ms. Yeatts reviewed **HB1737** (practice of nurse practitioners without practice agreement with at least two years of full-time clinical experience

as a licensed nurse practitioner) noting that the provision of this act will be effective on July 1, 2021 and will expire on July 1, 2022.

Ms. Yeatts reviewed **HB1817** (practice of certified nurse midwives without practice agreement) noting that this provision applies to the certified nurse midwives who have completed 1,000 hours of practice as certified nurse midwives.

Dr. Parachubutr asked if the 1,000-hour requirement has to be completed in Virginia. Ms. Yeatts replied that it does not.

Dr. Ellington asked if certified nurse midwives who enter into a practice agreement are required to have autonomous practice. Ms. Yeatts responded that they must have two years of clinical practice but the law does not specify that they have the autonomous practice designation.

Ms. Yeatts reviewed **HB1747** (practice of clinical nurse specialists as licensed nurse practitioners) noting that the effective date is July 1, 2021. Changes from the registration as clinical nurse specialists to licensure as nurse practitioners in the category of clinical nurse specialists by the Boards of Medicine and Nursing and authorizes prescriptive authority. A Practice Agreement is now required for all CNSs. CNSs who desire to prescribe must apply for prescriptive authority.

Ms. Yeatts then reviewed revisions to the Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners (Chapter 30) and Regulations for Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners (Chapter 40). Ms. Yeatts stated that the draft regulations are presented for Committee's consideration to recommend adoption of changes to conform to changes in the Code of Virginia.

Ms. Hershkowitz moved to recommend the adoption of the changes to Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners (Chapter 30) and Regulations for Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners (Chapter 40) to conform to changes in the Code of Virginia. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Archer. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

**B4** Fast-Track Changes for the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners(**Chapter 30**) and the Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners (**Chapter 40**) Ms. Yeatts stated that this agenda item was deferred for consideration at the upcoming business meetings of the Board of Nursing and the Board of Medicine.

Dr. Parachubutr inquired about the status of the licensed certified midwives bill (HB1953). Ms. Yeatts responded that, because it is a new category of licensure with no current regulations, it has to go through

	Administrative Process Act (APA). Ms. Yeatts added that the Notice of Intended Regulatory Action (NOIRA) will be considered by Board of Nursing at its July meeting and by Board of Medicine at its August meeting.
	Dr. Gleason noted her appreciation for Ms. Yeatts' expertise.
	Ms. Douglas stated that with regard to Marjorie Smith's public comment referencing Lucy Smith as a contact person for clinical nurse specialists, board staff is not authorized to identify physicians who can provide consultation to clinical nurse specialists as part of the practice agreement requirement.
RECESS:	The Committee recessed at 10:02 A.M.
RECONVENTION:	The Committee reconvened at 10:12 A.M.
NEW BUSINESS:	<ul> <li><u>C1 – 2022 Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine Meeting Dates:</u></li> <li>Ms. Douglas reviewed the 2022 Committee meeting dates noting that currently there are no rooms available for December 2022 meeting date. Staff will continue to monitor room availability and notify the Committee.</li> <li><u>Revision of Guidance Document (GD) 90-56 – Practice Agreement Requirements for Licensed Nurse Practitioners:</u></li> <li>Ms. Gerardo stated that the following documents have been provided:</li> <li>C2a – Current Version of GD 90-56</li> <li>C2b – Proposed Draft Version of GD 90-56</li> <li>C2c – Nurse Practitioner Side-by-Side Comparison Table (FYI)</li> <li>Ms. Gerardo invited Dr. Hills to proceed.</li> </ul>
	inquiries regarding practice agreement requirements. Dr. Hills then proceeded to review the proposed changes of the GD 90-56.
	Ms. Hershkowitz moved to recommend the adoption of changes to GD 90- 56 as presented to the Boards of Nursing and Medicine. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Archer. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.
	Committee Members suggested posting the Nurse Practitioner Side-by- Side Comparison Table on Townhall and Nursing websites. Ms. Douglas stated that, although it is unlikely that it can be posted to Townhall, staff will explore posting options for easy public access.

#### C3 – Communication sent to all CNSs on May 27, 2021:

Ms. Douglas acknowledged Ms. Willinger for taking the lead on this communication and it is provided for information only.

## C4 – Sentara Letter:

Ms. Douglas noted that this is provided for information only and that the response to Sentara was that the Board is not authorized to grant a waiver.

<u>HB 793 – Preliminary Report on Nurse Practitioners with Autonomous Practice Designation</u> – Dr. Carter, Healthcare Workforce Data Center (HWDC) Executive Director, and Rajana Siva, HWDC Data Analyst

Ms. Gerardo stated that the following were provided:

- ✤ Bate Stamped Materials from 001 to 017
- Results in Tableau online interactive map and table with dropdown menus link: <u>https://public.tableau.com/profile/rajana.siva#!/vizhome/npspecialtyco</u> <u>unts/Story1</u>

## Ms. Gerardo invited Dr. Carter to proceed.

Ms. Douglas commented that this is related to the HB 793 (2018) requirement to collect data on traditional nurse practitioners with autonomous practice.

Dr. Carter reviewed the bate stamped materials from 001 and 017 and results in Tableau online interactive map. Dr. Carter said that she is available for questions.

Ms. Hershkowitz asked the end date of the data. Dr. Carter replied as of April 30, 2021. Ms. Douglas added that data collection for the final report will end on June 30, 2021.

Dr. Archer commented that he is happy to see that actual violations are minimal with low mean and median and that Virginia has a well maintained and competent healthcare workforce.

Mr. Brigle asked how often the online interactive map will be updated. Ms. Douglas replied that it will be discussed at DHP.

**Discussion regarding** "any recommended modifications to the requirements of this act including any modifications to the clinical experience requirements for practicing without a practice agreement" (HB 793, 2018) – Committee Members and Advisory Committee Members

Ms. Gerardo asked for recommendations to report from Committee Members and Advisory Committee Members.

Ms. Douglas noted that the data presented in the report related to five years clinical experience data, not two years.

Ms. Hershkowitz inquired if the similar data are available from other states. Ms. Douglas responded that there are data available but the enactment clause does not require those data.

Ms. Mitchell suggested maybe including a recommendation regarding the attestation.

After discussion, the Committee included the following recommendations to the report:

- Two-year data should be considered;
- Comparison of two years data and five years data;
- Reducing clinical experience to two years permanently or even removing time requirement completely;
- Removing restrictions (such as practice agreement, supervision and out-of-state attestation) to allow well trained and qualified nurse practitioners to practice to full scope as long as the public is not harmed;
- Recommend a parallel to CNM 2021 legislation allow experienced CNM & MD to enter into practice agreement
- Incorporating national data;
- For out-of-state nurse practitioners, the Board should consider violations or suspensions only;
- Consider internal military report which provides incidents by specialty with negative outcomes for each branch of the military
- For nurse practitioners who are seeking autonomous practice, selfattestation or using practice agreement dates should be considered; and
- Moving toward APRN Compact which requires advanced practice registered nurses to have 2,080 hours of clinical experience

Ms. Mitchell noted that recommendations should align with national requirements.

ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN: Ms. Gerardo asked for the updates from the Advisory Committee Members.

Mr. Brigle commented that tax break for preceptors update would be appreciated.

No additional updates were noted.

	Ms. Gerardo thanked Advisory Committee members for their participation in the meeting and reminded everyone that the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 13, 2021.
	The Advisory Committee Members, Dr. Brown, Dr. Allison-Bryan, Dr. Harp and Ms. Yeatts, left the meeting at 10:23 A.M.
RECESS:	The Committee recessed at 11:57 A.M.
RECONVENTION:	The Committee reconvened at 12:32 P.M.
<b>CONSIDERATION OF CO</b>	DNSENT ORDER
	Ms. Gerardo said that the Committee have one Consent Order for consideration. Copy of the Consent Order was mailed to the Committee Member in advance.
	Charmayne L. Lanier-Eason, LNP
	Ms. Gerardo asked if the Committee Members wishes to go into the closed meeting for discussion. None was noted.
ACTION:	Ms. Hershkowitz moved to accept the consent order to indefinitely suspend the license of <b>Charmayne L. Lanier-Eason</b> to practice as a nurse practitioner in the Commonwealth of Virginia with suspension stayed upon proof of Ms. Lanier-Eason's entry into a Contract with the Virginia Health Practitioners' Monitoring Program (HPMP), compliance with all terms and conditions of the HPMP for the period specified by the HPMP, and additional terms and conditions. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Ranson. A roll call was taken and the motion was carried unanimously.
AGENCY SUBORDINATI	E RECOMMENDATION CONSIDERATION
	The Committee had one Agency Subordinate recommendation for consideration. Copy of the recommendation was mailed to the Committee Members in advance.
	#1 – Darlene Whitfield Olive, LNP
	Ms. Olive was not present to address the Committee regarding her Agency Subordinate recommendation.
CLOSED MEETING:	Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(28) of the <i>Code of Virginia</i> at 12:35 P.M., for the purpose to reach a decision in the matter of Darlene Whitfield Olive's Agency 9

	Subordinate Recommendation. Additionally, Ms. Hershkowitz moved that Ms. Douglas, Dr. Hills, Ms. Vu, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Ransone. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.
RECONVENTION:	The Board reconvened in open session at 12:53 P.M.
	Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Archer. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.
	Ms. Olive joined the meeting at 12:53 P.M. noting that she had technical difficulties joining the Webex. Ms. Olive requested to address the Committee regarding her Agency Subordinate recommendation.
	Ms. Gerardo instructed Ms. Olive that she has five minutes to address the Committee and no new information can be provided.
CLOSED MEETING:	Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2- 3711(A)(28) of the <i>Code of Virginia</i> at 1:00 P.M., for the purpose to reach a decision in the matter of Darlene Whitfield Olive's Agency Subordinate Recommendation. Additionally, Ms. Hershkowitz moved that Ms. Douglas, Dr. Hills, Ms. Vu, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Board in its deliberations. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Ransone. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.
RECONVENTION:	The Board reconvened in open session at 1:08 P.M.
	Ms. Hershkowitz moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was properly seconded by Dr. Archer. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.
ACTION:	Dr. Gleason moved to modify the recommended decision of the agency subordinate to reprimand Darlene Whitfield Olive and to require Ms.

Olive, within 90 days from the date of entry of the Order, to provide written proof satisfactory to the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine of successful completion of the following NCSBN courses: *Professional Boundaries in Nursing* and *Righting a Wrong: Ethics and Professionalism in Nursing*. The motion was properly seconded by Ms. Hershkowitz. A roll call was taken and the motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT:

As there was no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:11 P.M.

Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE Executive Director

#### COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT BOARDS OF NURSING AND MEDICINE POSSIBLE SUMMARY SUSPENSION TELEPHONE CONFERENCE CALL AUGUST 6, 2021

A possible summary suspension telephone conference call of the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine was held August 6, 2021, at 12:00 noon.

#### The Committee Members participating the call were:

Louise Hershkowitz, CRNA, MSHA, **Chair** Marie Gerardo, MS, RN, ANP-BC Ann Tucker Gleason, PhD, Board of Nursing Citizen Member David Archer, MD Blanton Marchese, Board of Medicine Citizen Member

#### Others participating in the meeting were:

Charis Mitchell, Assistant Attorney General, Board Counsel Sean Murphy, Assistant Attorney General Victoria Hinton, Adjudication Specialist Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE, Executive Director Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice Claire Morris, RN, LNHA; Deputy Executive Director Cathy Hanchey, Senior Licensing/Discipline Specialist Nora T. Ciancio, Esquire, Counsel for Melanie Hope Leonhart Jones, LNP

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Hershkowitz. With 5 members of the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine, a quorum was established. A good faith effort to convene a meeting at the Committee offices within the week failed.

Sean Murphy, Senior Assistant Attorney General, presented evidence that the continued practice of **Melanie Hope Leonhart Jones**, LNP (0024-173507) as a licensed nurse practitioner may present a substantial danger to the health and safety of the public.

<u>**CLOSED MEETING</u>**: Dr. Gleason moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine convene a closed meeting pursuant to 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 12:14 P.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Ms. Jones. Additionally, Dr. Gleason moved that Ms. Douglas, Dr. Hills, Ms. Morris, Ms. Hanchey, and Ms. Mitchell attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded by Mr. Marchese and carried unanimously.</u>

**RECONVENTION**: The Committee reconvened in open session at 12:31 P.M.

Dr. Gleason moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine certify that it heard, discussed, or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded by Ms. Gerardo and carried unanimously.

Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine Telephone Conference Call August 6, 2021

Mr. Marchese moved to summarily suspend the license of **Melanie Hope Leonhart Jones** to practice as a licensed nurse practitioner pending a formal administrative hearing and to offer a consent order for indefinite suspension of her nurse practitioner license for not less than two years in lieu of a formal hearing. The motion was seconded by Dr. Archer and carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:35 P.M.

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Robin Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP Deputy Executive Director for Advanced Practice

#### VIRGINIA COMMITTEE OF THE JOINT BOARDS OF NURSING AND MEDICINE FORMAL HEARING MINUTES October 13, 2021

TIME AND PLACE: The formal hearing of the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine was convened at 10:02 A.M., in Board Room 2, Department of Health Professions, Perimeter Center, 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 201, Henrico, Virginia. Ann Tucker Gleason, PhD; Board of Nursing, Chairperson MEMBERS PRESENT: Blanton L. Marchese; Board of Medicine David Archer, M.D.; Board of Medicine Ryan Williams, M.D.; Board of Medicine **STAFF PRESENT:** Jay P. Douglas, MSM, RN, CSAC, FRE; Executive Director Robin L. Hills, DNP, RN, WHNP; Deputy Executive Director for Advance Practice Charlette N. Ridout, RN, MS, CNE; Nursing Probable Cause Reviewer/Education Program Inspector Cathy Hanchey, Senior Licensing/Discipline Specialist **OTHER PRESENT:** Erin Barrett, Assistant Attorney General, Committee Counsel ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM: With four members of the Committee present, a quorum was established.

## **CONSIDERATION OF AGENCY SUBORDINATE RECOMMENDATIONS:**

Mark-Allen Clark, LNP Mr. Clark submitted a written response.

**CLOSED MEETING:** 

Mr. Marchese moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 10:07 A.M., for the purpose of consideration of the agency subordinate recommendations. Additionally, Mr. Marchese moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Ridout, Ms. Hanchey, and Ms. Barrett, Committee counsel, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Williams and carried unanimously.

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#### RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 10:12 A.M.

	Mr. Marchese moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursir and Medicine certify that it heard, discussed or considered only publ business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requiremen under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such publ business matters as were identified in the motion by which the close meeting was convened. The motion was seconded by Dr. Williams ar carried unanimously.	
	Mr. Marchese moved the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine accept the recommended decision of the agency subordinate and issue an Order of Reprimand to Mark-Allen Clark. The motion was seconded by Dr. Williams and carried unanimously.	
	<b>Dolores Lorraine Williams Johnson, LNP</b> 0024-164367Ms. Williams submitted a written response.	
CLOSED MEETING:	Mr. Marchese moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(27) of the <i>Code of Virginia</i> at 10:07 A.M., for the purpose of consideration of the agency subordinate recommendation. Additionally, Mr. Marchese moved that Ms. Douglas, Ms. Ridout, Ms. Hanchey, and Ms. Barrett, Committee counsel, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Williams and carried unanimously.	
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	Mr. Marchese moved the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine accept the recommended decision of the agency subordinate and issue an Order of Reprimand to <b>Dolores Lorraine Williams Johnson</b> . The motion was seconded by Dr. Williams and carried unanimously.	

Nakeshia Lynn Mouzon, LNP	0024-170001
Ms. Mouzon did not appear.	

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Mr. Marchese moved the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine accept the recommended decision of the agency subordinate and issue an Order of Reprimand to **Nakeshia Lynn Mouzon**. The motion was seconded by Dr. Williams and carried unanimously.

#### **CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT ORDER:**

#### David Peter Young, LNP 0024-073770

Dr. Williams moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine accept the consent order for Voluntary Surrender for Indefinite Suspension of David Peter Young's right to renew his license to practice as a nurse practitioner in the category of certified registered nurse anesthetist in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The motion was seconded by Mr. Marchese, and the motion carried unanimously.

#### **FORMAL HEARING:**

#### Michael Scott Addair, LNP Reinstatement Applicant 0024-167226

Mr. Addair appeared and was accompanied by his attorney, Brian Vieth, and Ashley Blevins.

David Kazzie, Adjudication Specialist for the Department of Health Professions, represented the Commonwealth. Ms. Barrett was legal counsel for the Committee. Racheal Steck, court reporter with Veteran Reporters, recorded the proceeding.

Marcella Luna, Investigator Supervisor, Department of Health Professions, participated and testified.

- CLOSED MEETING: Mr. Marchese moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine convene a closed meeting pursuant to Section 2.2-3711(A)(27) of the *Code of Virginia* at 11:30 A.M. for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Michael Scott Addair. Additionally, Mr. Marchese moved that Ms. Ridout, Ms. Hanchey, and Ms. Barrett, Committee Counsel, attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting is deemed necessary, and their presence will aid the Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded by Dr. Williams and carried unanimously.
- RECONVENTION: The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:46 A.M.

Mr. Marchese moved that the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded by Dr. Williams and carried unanimously.

ACTION: Dr. Williams moved to approve the application of **Michael Scott Addair** for reinstatement to practice as a nurse practitioner in the category of certified registered nurse anesthetist in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The basis for this decision will be set forth in a final Order which will be sent to Mr. Addair at his address of record. The motion was seconded by Mr. Marchese and carried unanimously.

> This decision shall be effective upon the entry by the Board of a written Order stating the findings, conclusions, and decision of this formal hearing quorum.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:48 A.M.

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Chapter			Action / Stage Information
[ <u>18 VAC 90 - 30]</u> Board	Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine	Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners	Changes relating to clinical nurse specialists as nurse practitioners [Action 5800] Fast-Track - Register Date: 1/17/22 Effective: 4/1/22
[ <u>18 VAC 90 - 30]</u>		Regulations Governing the Licensure of Nurse Practitioners	Unprofessional conduct/conversion therapy [Action 5441]Final - Register Date: 1/3/22 Effective: 2/2/22
[ <u>18 VAC 90 - 40]</u>		Regulations for Prescriptive Authority for Nurse Practitioners	Waiver for electronic prescribing [Action 5413]Final - Register Date: 1/3/22 Effective: 2/2/22
[ <u>18 VAC 90 - 70]</u>		Regulations Governing the Practice of Licensed Certified Midwives	New regulations for licensed certified midwives [Action 5801] NOIRA - Register Date: 1/17/22 Comment closes: 2/16/22 Boards to adopt proposed regulations at May and June meetings

## Report of 2022 General Assembly Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine

## \*Status of legislation will be reported at the meeting on 2/16/22\*

## **HB 27 COVID-19 vaccination status; mandatory COVID-19 vaccination prohibited, discrimination prohibited.**

#### Chief patron: Anderson

#### Summary as introduced:

**COVID-19 vaccination status; mandatory COVID-19 vaccination prohibited; discrimination prohibited.** Prohibits the State Health Commissioner and the Board of Health, the Board of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services, the Department of Health Professions and any regulatory board therein, and the Department of Social Services from requiring any person to undergo vaccination for COVID-19 and prohibits discrimination based on a person's COVID-19 vaccination status with regard to education or public employment and in numerous other contexts.

## HB 80 Healthcare Regulatory Sandbox Program; established, report, sunset date.

#### Chief patron: Davis

#### Summary as introduced:

**Healthcare Regulatory Sandbox Program; established.** Requires the Department of Health to establish the Healthcare Regulatory Sandbox Program to enable a person to obtain limited access to the market in the Commonwealth to temporarily test an innovative healthcare product or service on a limited basis without otherwise being licensed or authorized to act under the laws of the Commonwealth. Under the Program, an applicant requests the waiver of certain laws, regulations, or other requirements for a 24-month testing period, with an option to request an additional six-month testing period. The bill provides application requirements, consumer protections, procedures for exiting the Program or requesting an extension, and recordkeeping and reporting requirements. The bill requires the Department to provide an annual report to the Chairmen of the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions and the Senate Committee on Education and Health that provides information regarding each Program

participant and that provides recommendations regarding the effectiveness of the Program. The bill has an expiration date of July 1, 2027.

## HB 102 Prescriptions; off-label use.

#### Chief patron: Greenhalgh

#### Summary as introduced:

**Prescriptions; off-label use.** Provides that a licensed health care provider with prescriptive authority may prescribe, administer, or dispense a drug that has been approved for a specific use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for an off-label use when the health care provider determines, in his professional judgement, that such off-label use is appropriate for the care and treatment of the patient, and prohibits a pharmacist from refusing to dispense a drug for off-label use if a valid prescription is presented. The bill also requires the Board of Health to include in regulations governing hospitals a provision that no hospital shall deny, revoke, terminate, diminish, or curtail in any way any professional or clinical privilege to a health care provider with prescriptive authority solely on the grounds that such health care provider prescribes, administers, or dispenses a drug that has been approved for a specific use by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for an off-label use.

## HB 145 Physician assistants; practice.

## Chief patron: Head

#### Summary as introduced:

**Practice of physician assistants.** Removes the requirement that physician assistants appointed as medical examiners practice as part of a patient care team. For hospice program licensing, the bill adds physician assistants to the list of hospice personnel who may be part of a medically directed interdisciplinary team. The bill removes a reference to physician assistants in the definition of patient care team podiatrist. Finally, the bill permits physician assistants working in the field of orthopedics as part of a patient care team to utilize fluoroscopy for guidance of diagnostic and therapeutic procedures, provided other requirements are met.

## **HB 192** Opioids; repeals sunset provisions relating to prescriber requesting information about a patient.

Chief patron: Hodges

#### Summary as introduced:

**Prescription of opioids; sunset.** Repeals sunset provisions for the requirement that a prescriber registered with the Prescription Monitoring Program request information about a patient from the Program upon initiating a new course of treatment that includes the prescribing of opioids anticipated, at the onset of treatment, to last more than seven consecutive days.

## HB 211 Cannabis products; retail sale by certain pharmaceutical processors.

#### Chief patron: Hodges

#### Summary as introduced:

Retail sale of cannabis products by certain pharmaceutical processors; sunset. Allows certain pharmaceutical processors to, under the oversight of the Board of Pharmacy, sell cannabis products at retail to unregistered persons who are 21 years of age or older without the need for a written certification. The bill provides that such sales will be subject to existing Board of Pharmacy regulations and other requirements set forth in the bill. The bill requires pharmaceutical processors engaging in such sales to pay a \$1 million fee and collect a 21 percent excise tax, both of which shall ultimately be allocated to the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority to be used to assist independent cannabis retailers located in designated rural and urban opportunity zones. The bill also requires such pharmaceutical processors to submit and comply with a plan describing how the pharmaceutical processor will, in its health service area, educate consumers about responsible consumption of cannabis products and incubate independent cannabis retailers or support and educate persons that wish to participate in the cannabis market. The bill directs the Board of Directors of the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority to promulgate regulations governing sales, cultivation, extraction, processing, manufacturing, wholesaling, and other related activities conducted pursuant to the provisions of the bill and provides that, upon the adoption of such regulations, oversight of such activities shall transfer from the Board of Pharmacy to the Board of Directors of the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority. The bill expires when pharmaceutical processors engaging in the sale of cannabis products pursuant to the provisions of the bill are authorized by the Virginia Cannabis Control Authority to apply for and be granted licenses to cultivate, manufacture, wholesale, and sell at retail to consumers 21 years of age or older retail marijuana and retail marijuana products.

## **HB 213 Optometrists; allowed to perform laser surgery if certified by Board of Optometry.**

#### Chief patron: Robinson

#### Summary as introduced:

**Optometrists; laser surgery.** Allows an optometrist who has received a certification to perform laser surgery from the Board of Optometry (the Board) to perform certain types of laser surgery of the eye and directs the Board to issue a certification to perform laser surgery to any optometrist who submits evidence satisfactory to the Board that he (i) is certified by the Board to prescribe for and treat diseases or abnormal conditions of the human eye and its adnexa with therapeutic pharmaceutical agents pursuant to Code requirements and (ii) has satisfactorily completed such didactic and clinical training programs provided by an accredited school or college of optometry that includes training in the use of lasers for the medically appropriate and recognized treatment of the human eye as the Board may require.

## HB 234 Nursing homes, assisted living facilities, etc.; SHHR to study consolidating oversight/regulation.

#### Chief patron: Orrock

#### Summary as introduced:

Secretary of Health and Human Resources; study consolidating oversight and regulation of nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and other congregate living settings under a single state agency; report. Directs the Secretary of Health and Human Resources to study the feasibility of consolidating oversight and regulation of nursing homes, assisted living facilities, and other congregate living settings under a single state agency to improve efficiency and effectiveness of regulation and oversight, provide better transparency for members of the public navigating the process of receiving services from such facilities, and better protect the health and safety of the public and to develop recommendations for consolidation of such oversight and regulation and to report his findings and recommendations to the Governor and the Chairmen of the Senate Committees on Education and Health and Finance and Appropriations and the House Committees on Appropriations and Health, Welfare and Institutions by October 1, 2022.

## **HB 243** Medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, and podiatric medicine; requirements for practitioners.

Chief patron: Adams, D.M.

#### Summary as introduced:

#### Practitioners of medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, and podiatric medicine;

**requirements.** Increases the duration of postgraduate training required issuance of a license to practice medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, or podiatric medicine from 12 months to 36 months requires every practitioner licensed to practice medicine, osteopathy, chiropractic, and podiatric medicine to obtain and maintain coverage by or to be named insured on a professional liability insurance policy with limits equal to the current limitation on damages set forth in the Code of Virginia.

## HB 264 Public health emergency; out-of-state licensees, deemed licensure.

#### Chief patron: Head

#### Summary as introduced:

**Public health emergency; out-of-state licensees; deemed licensure.** Provides that when the Board of Health has entered an emergency order for the purpose of suppressing nuisances dangerous to the public health or communicable, contagious or infectious diseases or other dangers to the public life and health, a practitioner of a profession regulated by the Board of Medicine who is licensed in another state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory or possession and who is in good standing with the applicable regulatory agency in that state, the District of Columbia, or that United States territory or possession shall not be prevented or prohibited from engaging in the practice of that profession in the Commonwealth with a patient located in the Commonwealth when (i) such practice is for the purpose of providing continuity of care through the use of telemedicine services and (ii) the patient is a current patient of the practitioner with whom the practitioner has previously established a practitioner-patient relationship.

The bill also provides that when the Board of Health has entered an emergency order for the purpose of suppressing nuisances dangerous to the public health or communicable, contagious or infectious diseases or other dangers to the public life and health, individuals licensed or certified to practice medicine, osteopathic medicine, or podiatry or as a physician assistant, respiratory therapist, advanced practice registered nurse, registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or nurse aide by another state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory or possession shall be deemed to be licensed or certified to practice in the Commonwealth for a period of 30 days when certain criteria are met.

## HB 285 Clinical nurse specialist; practice agreements.

#### Chief patron: Adams, D.M.

#### Summary as introduced:

**Clinical nurse specialist; practice agreements.** Provides that a nurse practitioner licensed by the Boards of Medicine and Nursing in the category of clinical nurse specialist who does not prescribe controlled substances or devices may practice in the practice category in which he is certified and licensed without a written or electronic practice agreement, provided that he (i) only practice within the scope of his clinical and professional training and limits of his knowledge and experience and consistent with the applicable standards of care, (ii) consult and collaborate with other health care providers based on the clinical condition of the patient to whom health care is provided, and (iii) establish a plan for referral of complex medical cases and emergencies to physicians or other appropriate health care providers. The bill also provides that a nurse practitioner licensed by the Boards in the category of clinical nurse specialist who prescribes controlled substances or devices shall practice in consultation with a licensed physician in accordance with a practice agreement between the nurse practitioner and the licensed physician.

#### HB 286 Nurse practitioners; declaration of death and cause of death.

#### Chief patron: Adams, D.M.

#### Summary as introduced:

**Nurse practitioners; declaration of death and cause of death.** Authorizes autonomous nurse practitioners, defined in the bill, to declare death and determine cause of death; allows nurse practitioners who are not autonomous nurse practitioners to pronounce the death of a patient in certain circumstances; and eliminates the requirement for a valid Do Not Resuscitate Order for the deceased patient for declaration of death by a registered nurse, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner who is not an autonomous nurse practitioner.

## HB 353 Unaccompanied homeless youth; consent to medical care.

#### Chief patron: Willett

#### Summary as introduced:

**Unaccompanied homeless youth; consent to medical care.** Provides that except for the purposes of sterilization or abortion, a minor who is 14 years of age or older and who is an unaccompanied homeless youth shall be deemed an adult for the purpose of consenting to surgical or medical examination or treatment, including dental examination and treatment, for

himself or his minor child. The bill describes evidence sufficient to determine that a minor is an unaccompanied homeless youth and provides that no health care provider shall be liable for any civil or criminal action for providing surgical or medical treatment to an unaccompanied homeless youth or his minor child without first obtaining the consent of his parent or guardian provided in accordance with the law, with the exception of liability for negligence in the diagnosis or treatment of such unaccompanied homeless youth.

# **HB 444** Virginia Freedom of Information Act; meetings conducted through electronic meetings.

## Chief patron: Bennett-Parker

## Summary as introduced:

**Virginia Freedom of Information Act; meetings conducted through electronic meetings.** Amends existing provisions concerning electronic meetings by keeping the provisions for electronic meetings held in response to declared states of emergency, repealing the provisions that are specific to regional and state public bodies, and allowing public bodies to conduct allvirtual public meetings where all of the members who participate do so remotely and that the public may access through electronic communications means. Definitions, procedural requirements, and limitations for all-virtual public meetings are set forth in the bill, along with technical amendments.

## HB 527 Interstate Medical Licensure Compact and Commission; created.

## Chief patron: Helmer

#### Summary as introduced:

**Interstate Medical Licensure Compact.** Creates the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact to create a process for expedited issuance of a license to practice medicine in the Commonwealth for qualifying physicians to enhance the portability of medical licenses while protecting patient safety. The bill establishes requirements for coordination of information systems among member states and procedures for investigation and discipline of physicians alleged to have engaged in unprofessional conduct. The bill creates the Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission to administer the compact.

## **HB 555** Health care providers; transfer of patient records in conjunction with closure, etc.

#### Chief patron: Hayes

#### Summary as introduced:

Health care providers; transfer of patient records in conjunction with closure, sale, or relocation of practice; electronic notice permitted. Allows health care providers to notify patients either electronically or by mail prior to the transfer of patient records in conjunction with the closure, sale, or relocation of the health care provider's practice. Current law requires health care providers to provide such notice by mail.

## HB 580 Covenants not to compete; health care professionals, civil penalty.

#### Chief patron: VanValkenburg

#### Summary as introduced:

**Covenants not to compete; health care professionals; civil penalty.** Adds health care professionals as a category of employee with whom no employer shall enter into, enforce, or threaten to enforce a covenant not to compete. The bill defines health care professional as any physician, nurse, nurse practitioner, physician's assistant, pharmacist, social worker, dietitian, physical and occupational therapist, and medical technologist authorized to provide health care services in the Commonwealth. The bill provides that any employer that violates the prohibition against covenants not to complete with an employee health care professional is subject to a civil penalty of \$10,000 for each violation.

## HB 864 Professions and occupations; proof of identity to obtain a license, etc.

#### Chief patron: Lopez

#### Summary as introduced:

**Professions and occupations; proof of identity.** Replaces the requirement for proof of citizenship to obtain a license, certificate, registration, or other authorization issued by the Commonwealth to engage in a business, trade, profession, or occupation with a requirement to provide proof of identity. The bill contains technical amendments.

## HB 896 Nurse practitioner; patient care team provider.

Chief patron: Adams, D.M.

#### Summary as introduced:

Nurse practitioner; patient care team provider. Replaces the term "patient care team

physician" with the term "patient care team provider" in the context of requirements for collaboration and consultation for nurse practitioners and provides that a nurse practitioner who is authorized to practice without a practice agreement may serve as a patient care team provider providing collaboration and consultation for nurse practitioners who are not authorized to practice without a practice agreement. Currently, only a licensed physician may provide collaboration and consultation, as evidenced by a practice agreement, for a nurse practitioner.

The bill also eliminates authority of a physician on a patient care team to require a nurse practitioner practicing as part of a patient care team to be covered by a professional liability insurance policy and the requirement that a nurse practitioner practicing without a practice agreement obtain and maintain coverage by or be named insured on a professional liability insurance policy.

## **HB 921** Controlled substances; prescriber may establish practitioner-patient relationship.

#### Chief patron: Orrock

#### Summary as introduced:

**Prescribing controlled substances; practitioner-patient relationship; telemedicine.** Provides that a prescriber may establish a practitioner-patient relationship for the purpose of prescribing Schedule II through V controlled substances via synchronous interaction with a patient and for the purpose of prescribing Schedule VI controlled substances via asynchronous interaction. The terms "synchronous interaction" and "asynchronous interaction" are defined in the bill.

## **HB 939** Necessary drugs and devices; Commissioner of Health to authorize administration and dispensing.

## Chief patron: Robinson

#### Summary as introduced:

**Commissioner of Health; administration and dispensing of necessary drugs and devices during public health emergency.** Allows the Commissioner of Health to authorize persons who are not authorized by law to administer or dispense drugs or devices to do so in accordance with protocols established by the Commissioner when the Board of Health has made an emergency order for the purpose of suppressing nuisances dangerous to the public health and communicable, contagious, and infectious diseases and other dangers to the public

life and health. Current law limits the Commissioner's ability to make such authorizations to circumstances when the Governor has declared a disaster or a state of emergency or the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services has issued a declaration of an actual or potential bioterrorism incident or other actual or potential public health emergency.

## HB 981 Health professions, certain; licensure by endorsement.

#### Chief patron: Scott, P.A.

#### Summary as introduced:

**Certain health professions; licensure by endorsement.** Requires the Boards of Dentistry, Medicine, and Nursing to grant an application by endorsement to any applicant who is licensed, certified, or registered in another state, the District of Columbia, or a United States territory or possession upon submission of evidence satisfactory to such board. Currently, the Boards of Dentistry, Medicine, and Nursing are authorized but not required to grant a license, certification, or registration by endorsement for applicants wishing to practice regulated professions.

## **HB 1105** Practitioners, licensed; continuing education related to implicit bias and cultural competency.

#### Chief patron: McQuinn

#### Summary as introduced:

**Board of Medicine; implicit bias and cultural competency.** Requires all practitioners licensed by the Board of Medicine to complete two hours of continuing education in each biennium on topics related to implicit bias and cultural competency.

## **HB 1245** Nurse practitioners; practice without a practice agreement, repeals sunset provision.

Chief patron: Adams, D.M.

#### Summary as introduced:

**Nurse practitioners; practice without a practice agreement; repeal sunset.** Repeals the sunset provision on the bill passed in 2021 that reduces from five to two the number of years of full-time clinical experience a nurse practitioner must have to be eligible to practice without a written or electronic practice agreement.

## HB 1323 Pharmacists; initiation of treatment with and dispensing and administration of vaccines.

#### Chief patron: Orrock

#### Summary as introduced:

**Pharmacists; initiation of treatment with and dispensing and administration of vaccines.** Provides that a pharmacist may initiate treatment with, dispense, or administer to persons three years of age or older in accordance with a statewide protocol developed by the Board of Pharmacy in collaboration with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health vaccines included on the Immunization Schedule published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention or that have a current emergency use authorization from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, and provides that the pharmacist may cause such vaccines to be administered by a pharmacy technician or pharmacy intern under the direct supervision of the pharmacist. The bill also requires the Department of Medical Assistance Services and accident and sickness insurance providers to provide reimbursement for such service in an amount that is no less than the reimbursement amount for such service by a health care provider licensed by the Board of Medicine.

## HB 1359 Health care; consent to services and disclosure of records.

## Chief patron: Byron

#### Summary as introduced:

Health care; consent to services and disclosure of records. Eliminates authority of a minor to consent to medical or health services needed in the case of outpatient care, treatment, or rehabilitation for medical illness or emotional disturbance and the disclosure of medical records related thereto. The bill also provides that an authorization for the disclosure of health records shall remain in effect until such time as it is revoked in writing to the person in possession of the health record subject to the authorization; shall include authorization for the release of all health records of the person created by the health care entity to whom permission to release health records was granted from the date on which the authorization was executed; and shall include authorization for the person who is the subject of the health record and attending appointments together with the person who is the subject of the health record. The bill also provides that every health care

provider shall make health records of a patient available to any person designated by a patient in an authorization to release medical records and that a health care provider shall allow a person to make an appointment for medical services on behalf of another person, regardless of whether the other person has executed an authorization to release medical records, provided that such health care provider shall not release protected health information to the person making the appointment for medical services on behalf of another person unless such person has executed an authorization to release medical records to the person making the appointment.

## SB 169 Practical nurses, licensed; authority to pronounce death.

#### Chief patron: Peake

#### Summary as introduced:

**Licensed practical nurses; authority to pronounce death.** Extends to licensed practical nurses the authority to pronounce the death of a patient, provided that certain conditions are met. Current law provides that physicians, registered nurses, and physician assistants may pronounce death.

## SB 317 Out-of-state health care practitioners; temporary authorization to practice.

## Chief patron: Favola

#### Summary as introduced:

**Out-of-state health care practitioners; temporary authorization to practice; licensure by reciprocity for physicians; emergency.** Allows a health care practitioner licensed in another state or the District of Columbia who has submitted an application for licensure to the appropriate health regulatory board to temporarily practice for a period of 90 days pending licensure, provided that certain conditions are met. The bill directs the Department of Health Professions to pursue reciprocity agreements with jurisdictions that surround the Commonwealth to streamline the application process in order to facilitate the practice of medicine. The bill requires the Department of Health Professions to annually report to the Chairmen of the Senate Committee on Education and Health and the House Committee on Health, Welfare and Institutions the number of out-of-state health care practitioners who have utilized the temporary authorization to practice pending licensure and have not subsequently been issued full licensure. The bill contains an emergency clause.

## EMERGENCY

## SB 414 Nurse practitioners; patient care team physician supervision capacity increased.

#### Chief patron: Kiggans

#### Summary as introduced:

## **Nurse practitioners; patient care team physician supervision capacity increased.** Increases from six to 10 the number of nurse practitioners a patient care team physician may supervise at any one time in accordance with a written or electronic practice agreement.

## SB 511 Opioid treatment program pharmacy; medication dispensing, registered nurses.

#### Chief patron: Suetterlein

#### Summary as introduced:

**Opioid treatment program pharmacy; medication dispensing; registered nurses.** Allows a registered nurse practicing at an opioid treatment program pharmacy to perform the duties of a pharmacy technician, provided that all take-home medication doses are verified for accuracy by a pharmacist prior to dispensing.

## **SB 594** Medicaid participants; treatment involving the prescription of opioids, payment.

#### Chief patron: Pillion

#### Summary as introduced:

**Medicaid participants; treatment involving the prescription of opioids; payment.** Prohibits licensed providers from requiring payment from Medicaid participants for the prescription of an opioid for the management of pain or the prescription of buprenorphine-containing products, methadone, or other opioid replacements approved for the treatment of opioid addiction by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for medication-assisted treatment of opioid addiction, regardless of whether the provider participates in the state plan for medical assistance.

## SB 668 Death with Dignity Act; penalties.

Chief patron: Hashmi

#### Summary as introduced:

**Death with Dignity Act; penalties.** Allows an adult who has been determined by an attending physician and consulting physician to be suffering from a terminal condition to request medication for the purpose of ending his life in a humane and dignified manner. The bill requires that a patient's request for medication to end his life be given orally on two occasions, that such request be in writing, signed by the patient and two witnesses, and that the patient be given an express opportunity to rescind his request. The bill requires that before a patient is prescribed medication to end his life, the attending physician must (i) confirm that the patient is making an informed decision; (ii) refer the patient to a capacity reviewer if the physician is uncertain as to whether the patient is making an informed decision; (iii) refer the patient to a consulting physician for confirmation or rejection of the attending physician's diagnosis; and (iv) inform the patient that he may rescind the request at any time. The bill provides that neither a patient's request for medication to end his life in a humane and dignified manner nor his act of ingesting such medication shall have any effect upon a life, health, or accident insurance policy or an annuity contract. The bill makes it a Class 2 felony (a) to willfully and deliberately alter, forge, conceal, or destroy a patient's request, or rescission of request, for medication to end his life with the intent and effect of causing the patient's death or (b) to coerce, intimidate, or exert undue influence on a patient to request medication for the purpose of ending his life or to destroy the patient's rescission of such request with the intent and effect of causing the patient's death. Finally, the bill grants immunity from civil or criminal liability and professional disciplinary action to any person who complies with the provisions of the bill and allows health care providers to refuse to participate in the provision of medication to a patient for the purpose of ending the patient's life.

## SB 672 Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians; prescribing, dispensing, etc. of controlled substances.

#### Chief patron: Dunnavant

#### Summary as introduced:

Pharmacists and pharmacy technicians; prescribing, dispensing, and administering of controlled substances. Allows pharmacists and pharmacy technicians under the supervision of a pharmacist to initiate treatment with and dispense and administer certain drugs devices, and tests in accordance with a statewide protocol developed by the Board of Pharmacy in collaboration with the Board of Medicine and the Department of Health. The bill directs the

Board of Pharmacy to establish such protocol by November 1, 2022, and to promulgate regulations to implement the provisions of the bill within 280 days of its enactment.

## SB 676 Associate physicians; licensure and practice.

## Chief patron: DeSteph

## Summary as introduced:

Licensure and practice of associate physicians. Authorizes the Board of Medicine to issue a two-year license to practice as an associate physician to an applicant who is 18 years of age or older, is of good moral character, has graduated from an accredited medical school, has successfully completed Step 1 and Step 2 of the United States Medical Licensing Examination, and has not completed a medical internship or residency program. The bill requires all associate physicians to practice in accordance with a practice agreement entered into between the associate physician and a physician licensed by the Board and provides for prescriptive authority of associate physicians in accordance with regulations of the Board.

## SB 772 Cannabis; written certification for use.

Chief patron: Marsden

Summary as introduced: Board of Pharmacy; cannabis registration.



# Virginia's Licensed Nurse Practitioner Workforce: 2021

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Follow us on Tumblr: *www.vahwdc.tumblr.com* Get a copy of this report from: <u>http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/PublicResources/HealthcareWorkforceDataCenter/ProfessionReports/</u> **4,567** Licensed Nurse Practitioners voluntarily participated in this survey. Without their efforts the work of the center would not be possible. The Department of Health Professions, the Healthcare Workforce Data Center, and the Board of Nursing express our sincerest appreciation for their ongoing cooperation.

## Thank You!

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## The Licensed Nurse Practitioner Workforce: At a Glance:

#### The Workforce

 Licensees:
 15,063

 Virginia's Workforce:
 12,070

 FTEs:
 10,712

#### Survey Response Rate

All Licensees:30%Renewing Practitioners:79%

#### **Demographics**

Female:	90
Diversity Index:	39
Median Age:	44

#### Background

Rural Childhood:35%HS Degree in VA:44%Prof. Degree in VA:52%

#### **Education**

Master's Degree:78%Post-Masters Cert.:7%

#### **Finances**

% % Median Income: \$100k-\$110k Health Benefits: 63% Under 40 w/ Ed debt: 62%

#### Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

#### Current Employment

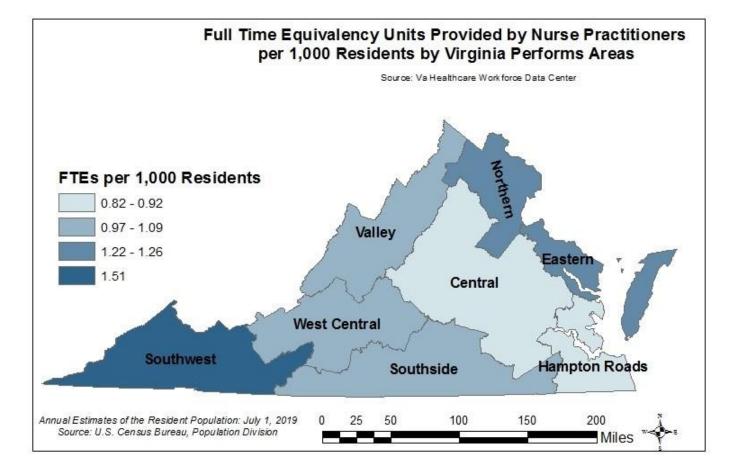
Employed in Prof.:95%Hold 1 Full-time Job:65%Satisfied?:94%

#### Job Turnover

Switched Jobs:8%Employed over 2 yrs:56%

#### **Time Allocation**

Patient Care:90%-99%Patient Care Role:88%Admin. Role:3%



#### **Results in Brief**

Over 4,500 Licensed Nurse Practitioners (NPs) voluntarily took part in the 2021 Licensed Nurse Practitioner Workforce Survey<sup>1</sup>. The Virginia Department of Health Professions' Healthcare Workforce Data Center (HWDC) administers the survey during license renewal, which takes place during a two-year renewal cycle in the birth month of each respondent. About half of all NPs have access to the survey every year. The 2021 survey respondents represent 30% of the 15,063 NPs who are licensed in the state and 79% of renewing practitioners. This report includes any advanced practice registered nurse. Detailed information on NPs, nurse anesthetists, and/or certified nurse midwives is available as a separate report.

The HWDC estimates that 12,070 NPs participated in Virginia's workforce during the survey period, which is defined as those who worked at least a portion of the year in the state or who live in the state and intend to return to work as an NP at some point in the future. Between October 2020 and September 2021, Virginia's NP workforce provided 10,712 "full-time equivalency units" (FTEs), which the HWDC defines simply as working 2,000 hours a year.

Nine out of 10 NPs are female; while the median age of all NPs is 44. In a random encounter between two NPs, there is a 39% chance that they would be of different races or ethnicities, a measure known as the diversity index. This makes Virginia's NP workforce considerably less diverse than the state's overall population which has a diversity index of 57%. The diversity index is 41% among NPs under age 40. Over one-third of NPs grew up in a rural area, and 24% of these professionals currently work in non-Metro areas of the state. Overall, 12% of NPs work in rural areas. Meanwhile, 44% of Virginia's NPs graduated from high school in Virginia, and 52% of NPs earned their initial professional degree in the state. In total, 56% of Virginia's NP workforce have some educational background in the state.

More than three quarters of all NPs hold a Master's degree as their highest professional degree, while over 20% have completed post-Masters education. Just over half of all NPs currently carry educational debt, including 62% of those under the age of 40. The median debt burden for those NPs with educational debt is between \$60,000 and \$70,000.

#### **Summary of Trends**

Several significant changes have occurred in the NP workforce in the past six years. In 2018, the General Assembly authorized the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine (the Joint Boards) to promulgate regulations that permit qualified nurse practitioners to practice autonomously after the completion of five years of clinical experience as a nurse practitioner. A separate report on this policy was submitted to the General Assembly<sup>2</sup>. In 2020, the General Assembly reduced the required clinical experience to two years before autonomous practice. This change sunsets July 1, 2022; if not reenacted, the prerequisite years of clinical experience will again be 5 years. The number of licensed NPs in the state has grown by 95% since 2014; the number in the state's workforce also grew by 92% and the FTEs provided increased by 85%. Compared to 2018, the response rate of renewing NPs increased from 68% to 79% in 2021. The percent of NPs working in non-metro areas also reached a high of 12% compared to the 10% who did in 2018.

The percent female has stayed consistently around 90%. The diversity index continues to increase from 28% in 2014 to an 8-year high of 39% in 2021. Median age declined from 48 years in 2014 to 44 years in 2020 and stayed the same in 2021. The educational attainment has increased for NPs over the past eight years. In 2021, the percent of NPs with a doctorate NP increased to an all-time high of 10%, this level is considerably higher than the 2014 level of 4%. Not surprisingly, the percent carrying debt has also increased; 51% of all NPs now carry debt compared to 40% in 2014. Median debt is now \$60,000-\$70,000, up from \$40,000-\$50,000 in 2014. Median income has stayed at \$100,000-\$110,000 since 2017. Involuntary unemployment increased from less than 1% in previous years to 4% in 2020 and stayed at 4% in 2021; this is likely due to the coronavirus pandemic. Retirement expectations have declined over time; only 19% intend to retire within a decade of the survey compared to 24% in 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> To reduce respondents' burden, HWDC changed its procedure in 2019 so that nurses now complete a survey for the highest profession in which they are practicing. This may have resulted in more NPs responding. This distinction should be kept in mind when comparing this year's survey to previous years.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://rga.lis.virginia.gov/Published/2021/RD625/PDF

Licensees					
License Status	#	%			
Renewing Practitioners	5,387	36%			
New Licensees	2,162	14%			
Non-Renewals	713	5%			
Renewal date not in survey period	6,801	45%			
All Licensees	15,063	100%			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Our surveys tend to achieve very high response rates. Nearly eight of every ten renewing NPs submitted a survey. These represent 30% of NPs who held a license at some point during the licensing period.

Response Rates						
Statistic Non Respondent Respon Respondents Rate						
By Age						
Under 30	408	85	17%			
30 to 34	1,445	641	31%			
35 to 39	2,041	641	24%			
40 to 44	1,373	809	37%			
45 to 49	1,437	518	27%			
50 to 54	1,027	636	38%			
55 to 59	1,002	384	28%			
60 and Over	1,763 853		33%			
Total	10,496	4,567	30%			
New Licenses						
Issued After Sept. 2020	2,010	152	7%			
Metro Status						
Non-Metro	828	421	34%			
Metro	6,146	3,351	35%			
Not in Virginia	3,522	794	18%			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

### Definitions

- 1. The Survey Period: The survey was conducted between October 2020 and September 2021 in the birth month of each renewing practitioner.
- 2. Target Population: All NPs who held a Virginia license at some point during the survey period.
- 3. Survey Population: The survey was available to NPs who renewed their licenses online. It was not available to those who did not renew, including NPs newly licensed during the survey time.

Response Rates	
Completed Surveys	4,667
Response Rate, all licensees	30%
Response Rate, Renewals	79%
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center	

## At a Glance:

#### **Licensed NPs**

Number:	15,063
New:	14%
Not Renewed:	5%
Response Rates	

All Licensees:	30%
Renewing Practitioners:	79%

## At a Glance:

### <u>Workforce</u>

Virginia's NP Workforce:	12,070
FTEs:	10,712

#### **Utilization Ratios**

Licensees in VA Workforce:	80%
Licensees per FTE:	1.41
Workers per FTE:	1.13

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

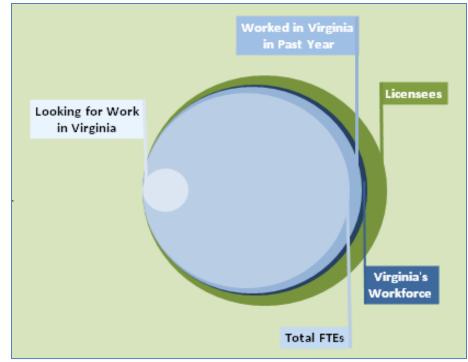
Virginia's NP Workforce				
Status	#	%		
Worked in Virginia in Past Year	11,783	98%		
Looking for Work in Virginia	287	2%		
Virginia's Workforce	12,070	100%		
Total FTEs	10,712			
Licensees	15,063			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

This report uses weighting to estimate the figures in this report. Unless otherwise noted, figures refer to the Virginia Workforce only. For more information on HWDC's methodology visit: <u>www.dhp.virginia.gov/hwdc</u>

### Definitions

- 1. Virginia's Workforce: A licensee with a primary or secondary work site in Virginia at any time during the survey timeframe or who indicated intent to return to Virginia's workforce at any point in the future.
- 2. Full Time Equivalency Unit (FTE): The HWDC uses 2,000 (40 hours for 50 weeks) as its baseline measure for FTEs.
- **3.** Licensees in VA Workforce: The proportion of licensees in Virginia's Workforce.
- 4. Licensees per FTE: An indication of the number of licensees needed to create 1 FTE. Higher numbers indicate lower licensee participation.
- 5. Workers per FTE: An indication of the number of workers in Virginia's workforce needed to create 1 FTE. Higher numbers indicate lower utilization of available workers.

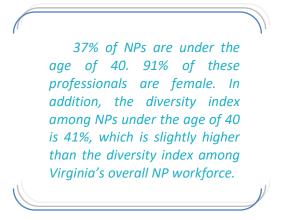


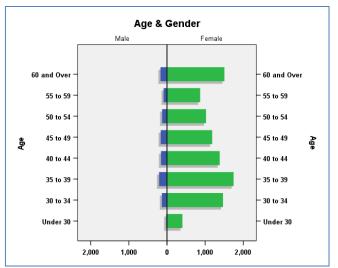
Age & Gender						
	N	Male		Female		otal
Age	#	% Male	#	% Female	#	% in Age Group
Under 30	20	5%	406	95%	425	4%
30 to 34	135	8%	1,469	92%	1,603	15%
35 to 39	207	11%	1,746	89%	1,953	18%
40 to 44	157	10%	1,382	90%	1,539	14%
45 to 49	164	12%	1,185	88%	1,348	13%
50 to 54	127	11%	1,023	89%	1,150	11%
55 to 59	88	9%	871	91%	959	9%
60 +	170	10%	1,506	90%	1,676	16%
Total	1,066	10%	9,588	90%	10,654	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Race & Ethnicity									
Race/	Virginia*	NPs		NPs		NPs		NPs un	der 40
Ethnicity	%	#	%	#	%				
White	61%	8,243	77%	3 <i>,</i> 028	76%				
Black	19%	1,220	11%	441	11%				
Asian	7%	630	6%	251	6%				
Other Race	0%	106	1%	37	1%				
Two or more	3%	186	2%	70	2%				
races									
Hispanic	10%	324	3%	164	4%				
Total	100%	10,709	100%	3,991	100%				

\*Population data in this chart is from the U.S. Census, Annual Estimates of the Resident Population by Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin for the United States, States, and Counties: July 1, 2019. Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center





Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

## At a Glance:

<u>Gender</u>	
% Female:	90%
% Under 40 Female:	91%
<u>Age</u>	
Median Age:	44
% Under 40:	37%
% 55+:	25%
<u>Diversity</u>	
Diversity Index:	39%
Under 40 Div. Index:	41%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

In a chance encounter between two NPs, there is a 39% chance they would be of a different race/ethnicity (a measure known as the Diversity Index), compared to a 57% chance for Virginia's population as a whole.

## At a Glance:

## **Childhood**

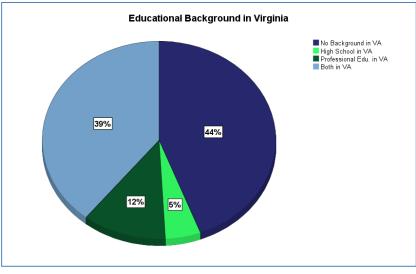
Urban Childhood:	12%
Rural Childhood:	35%
Virginia Background	
HS in Virginia:	44%
Prof. Ed. in VA:	51%
HS or Prof. Ed. in VA:	56%
Initial NP Degree in VA:	52%
Location Choice	
% Rural to Non-Metro:	24%
% Urban/Suburban	
to Non-Metro:	5%

### A Closer Look:

USE	Primary Location: DA Rural Urban Continuum	Rural St	atus of Chilo Location	dhood
Code	Description	Rural	Suburban	Urban
	Metro Cour	nties		
1	Metro, 1 million+	24%	62%	14%
2	Metro, 250,000 to 1 million	53%	39%	9%
3	Metro, 250,000 or less	46%	45%	9%
	Non-Metro Co	ounties		
4	Urban pop 20,000+, Metro adjacent	57%	30%	13%
6	Urban pop, 2,500-19,999, Metro adjacent	61%	30%	9%
7	Urban pop, 2,500-19,999, non adjacent	88%	10%	3%
8	Rural, Metro adjacent	80%	21%	
9	Rural, non adjacent	62%	25%	13%
	Overall Healthcare Workforce Data Center	35%	53%	12%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center





35% of all NPs grew up in self-described rural areas, and 24% of these professionals currently work in non-metro counties. Overall, 12% of all NPs currently work in non-metro counties.

## Top Ten States for Licensed Nurse Practitioner Recruitment

Rank			All NPs			
Rank	High School	#	Init. Prof Degree	#	Init. NP Degree	#
1	Virginia	4,663	Virginia	5 <i>,</i> 356	Virginia	5,50 9
2	Outside of U.S./Canada	727	New York	471	Washington, D.C.	635
3	New York	514	Pennsylvania	460	Tennessee	507
4	Pennsylvania	472	Tennessee	375	Pennsylvania	418
5	Maryland	349	North Carolina	342	North Carolina	308
6	North Carolina	317	Florida	303	Florida	245
7	Florida	282	Maryland	303	Maryland	231
8	West Virginia	279	West Virginia	267	New York	224
9	Ohio	256	Ohio	235	Illinois	218
10	New Jersey	238	Outside of U.S./Canada	217	Alabama	216

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Rank	Licensed in the Past 5 Years					
Kalik	High School	#	Init. Prof Degree	#	Init. NP Degree	#
1	Virginia	2,235	Virginia	2,631	Virginia	2,409
2	Outside of U.S./Canada	441	Tennessee	211	Washington, D.C.	319
3	New York	214	Pennsylvania	201	Tennessee	291
4	Pennsylvania	192	New York	185	Illinois	185
5	North Carolina	186	North Carolina	165	North Carolina	176
6	Maryland	184	Florida	165	Pennsylvania	176
7	Florida	153	Maryland	158	Minnesota	165
8	West Virginia	143	Outside of	133	Florida	136
0			U.S./Canada			
9	Tennessee	134	West Virginia	124	Alabama	121
10	New Jersey	111	Ohio	108	Massachusetts	111

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

20% of Virginia's licensees did not participate in Virginia's NP workforce during the past year. Ninety-one percent of these licensees worked at some point in the past year, including 88% who worked in a nursing-related capacity.

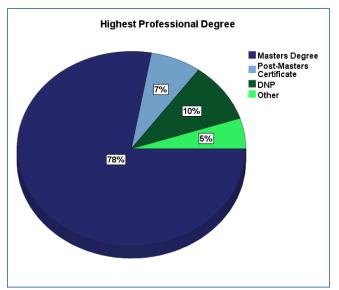
## At a Glance:

### Not in VA Workforce

Total:	2,989
% of Licensees:	20%
Federal/Military:	14%
Va. Border State/DC:	21%

Highest Degree				
Degree	#	%		
NP Certificate	225	2%		
Master's Degree	8,159	78%		
Post-Masters Cert.	753	7%		
Doctorate of NP	1,043	10%		
Other Doctorate	303	3%		
Post-Ph.D. Cert.	2	0%		
Total	10,485	100%		

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

More than three-quarters of all NPs hold a Master's degree as their highest professional degree. Half of NPs carry education debt, including 62% of those under the age of 40. The median debt burden among NPs with educational debt is between \$60,000 and \$70,000.

Education	
Master's Degree:	78%
Post-Masters Cert.:	7%
Educational Debt	
Carry debt:	51%
Jnder age 40 w/ debt:	62%
Median debt:	\$60k-\$70k

Educational Debt					
Amount Carried	All NPs		NPs under 40		
Amount Carrieu	#	%	#	%	
None	4,586	49%	1,317	38%	
\$10,000 or less	342	4%	90	3%	
\$10,000-\$19,999	355	4%	128	4%	
\$20,000-\$29,999	390	4%	174	5%	
\$30,000-\$39,999	409	4%	207	6%	
\$40,000-\$49,999	337	4%	181	5%	
\$50,000-\$59,999	288	3%	118	3%	
\$60,000-\$69,999	357	4%	190	5%	
\$70,000-\$79,999	352	4%	203	6%	
\$80,000-\$89,999	291	3%	115	3%	
\$90,000-\$99,999	252	3%	128	4%	
\$100,000-\$109,999	305	3%	109	3%	
\$110,000-\$119,999	178	2%	77	2%	
\$120,000 or more	1,000	11%	461	13%	
Total	9,442	100%	3,498	100%	

At a Glance	•
Primary Specialty	
Family Health:	29%
RN Anesthetist:	15%
Acute Care/ER:	8%
<u>Credentials</u>	
AANPCP – Family NP:	23%
ANCC – Family NP:	20%
ANCC – Adult-Gerontol	ogy
Acute Care NP:	4%

Createlly	Prim	ary
Specialty	#	%
Family Health	2,988	29%
Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	1,608	15%
Acute Care/Emergency Room	884	8%
Pediatrics	744	7%
Adult Health	703	7%
Psychiatric/Mental Health	626	6%
OB/GYN - Women's Health	355	3%
Geriatrics/Gerontology	320	3%
Surgical	287	3%
Certified Nurse Midwife	198	2%
Neonatal Care	164	2%
Gastroenterology	106	1%
Occupational/Employee/Industrial Health	76	1%
Pain Management	56	1%
Other	1,306	13%
Total	10,423	100%

Credentials					
Credential	#	%			
AANPCP: Family NP	2,793	23%			
ANCC: Family NP	2 <i>,</i> 355	20%			
ANCC: Adult-Gerontology Acute Care NP	437	4%			
ANCC: Adult NP	327	3%			
ANCC: Acute Care NP	323	3%			
ANCC: Family Psychiatric- Mental Health NP	317	3%			
NCC: Women's Health Care NP	304	3%			
ANCC: Adult Psychiatric-Mental Health NP	230	2%			
AANPCP: Adult-Gerontology Primary Care NP (A-GNP-C)	205	2%			
ANCC: Adult-Gerontology Primary Care NP	196	2%			
ANCC: Pediatric NP	181	1%			
NCC: Neonatal NP	148	1%			
AANPCP: Adult NP	98	1%			
All Other Credentials	101	1%			
At Least One Credential	7,607	63%			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Over a quarter of all NPs had a primary specialty in family health, while another 15% had a primary specialty as a Certified RN Anesthetist. 63% of all NPs also held at least one credential. AANPCP: Family NP was the most reported credential held by Virginia's NP workforce.

## At a Glance:

### **Employment**

Employed in Profession: 95% Involuntarily Unemployed: 1%

### **Positions Held**

1 Full-time:	65%
2 or More Positions:	17%
<u>Weekly Hours:</u>	
40 to 49:	48%
60 or more:	6%
Less than 30:	11%
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Dat	ta Center

Current Weekly Hours		
Hours	#	%
0 hours	327	3%
1 to 9 hours	165	2%
10 to 19 hours	249	2%
20 to 29 hours	750	7%
30 to 39 hours	2,090	20%
40 to 49 hours	4,865	48%
50 to 59 hours	1,139	11%
60 to 69 hours	379	4%
70 to 79 hours	92	1%
80 or more hours	143	1%
Total	10,199	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

## A Closer Look:

Current Work Status			
Status	#	%	
Employed, capacity unknown	5	0%	
Employed in a nursing- related capacity	10,015	95%	
Employed, NOT in a nursing-related capacity	62	1%	
Not working, reason unknown	0	0%	
Involuntarily unemployed	58	1%	
Voluntarily unemployed	269	3%	
Retired	127	1%	
Total	10,534	100%	
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center			

95% of NPs are currently employed in their profession. 65% of NPs hold one fulltime job, while 17% currently have multiple jobs. Nearly half of all NPs work between 40 and 49 hours per week, while 6% work at least 60 hours per week.

Current Positions			
Positions	#	%	
No Positions	327	3%	
<b>One Part-Time Position</b>	1,500	15%	
<b>Two Part-Time Positions</b>	338	3%	
One Full-Time Position	6,634	65%	
One Full-Time Position &	1,204	12%	
One Part-Time Position			
<b>Two Full-Time Positions</b>	46	0%	
More than Two Positions	192	2%	
Total	10,241	100%	

In	come	
Hourly Wage	#	%
Volunteer Work Only	70	1%
Less than \$40,000	361	4%
\$40,000-\$49,999	149	2%
\$50,000-\$59,999	198	2%
\$60,000-\$69,999	303	4%
\$70,000-\$79,999	465	6%
\$80,000-\$89,999	619	7%
\$90,000-\$99,999	888	11%
\$100,000-\$109,999	1370	16%
\$110,000-\$119,999	958	12%
\$120,000 or more	2,930	35%
Total	8,311	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Job Satisfaction			
Level	#	%	
Very Satisfied	6,313	62%	
Somewhat Satisfied	3,282	32%	
Somewhat Dissatisfied	489	5%	
Very Dissatisfied	164	2%	
Total	10,248	100%	

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

## At a Glance:

Earnings Median Income:	\$100k-\$110k
<u>Benefits</u>	
Retirement:	73%
Health Insurance:	63%
<b>Satisfaction</b>	
Satisfied:	94%
Very Satisfied:	62%
Source: Va. Healthcare W	orkforce Data Center

The typical NP had an annual income of between \$100,000 and \$110,000. Among NPs who received either a wage or salary as compensation at the primary work location, 73% also had access to a retirement plan and 63% received health insurance.

Employer-Sponsored Benefits*			
Benefit	#	%	% of Wage/Salary Employees
Paid Leave	6,806	86%	73%
Retirement	6,773	86%	73%
Health Insurance	5,931	75%	63%
Dental Insurance	5,752	73%	62%
Group Life Insurance	4,728	60%	51%
Signing/Retention Bonus	1,447	18%	15%
Receive at least one benefit	7,905	79%	84%
*From any employer at time of survey.	-	-	-

Employment Instability in Past Year			
In the past year did you?	#	%	
Experience Involuntary Unemployment?	504	4%	
Experience Voluntary Unemployment?	639	5%	
Work Part-time or temporary positions, but would	430	4%	
have preferred a full-time/permanent position?			
Work two or more positions at the same time?	2,090	17%	
Switch employers or practices?	974	8%	
Experienced at least 1	3,605	30%	
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center			

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Only 4% of Virginia's NPs experienced involuntary unemployment at some point in the prior year. By comparison, Virginia's average monthly unemployment rate was 4.7% during the same period.<sup>1</sup>

Location Tenure				
Tanuna	Primary		Secondary	
Tenure	#	%	#	%
Not Currently Working at this	245	2%	138	6%
Location				
Less than 6 Months	799	8%	341	14%
6 Months to 1 Year	1,014	10%	319	13%
1 to 2 Years	2,296	23%	547	23%
3 to 5 Years	2,464	25%	576	24%
6 to 10 Years	1,487	15%	284	12%
More than 10 Years	1,691	17%	200	8%
Subtotal	9,997	100%	2,406	100%
Did not have location	300		9,613	
Item Missing	1,774		51	
Total	12,070		12,070	

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

66% of NPs receive a salary at their primary work location, while 28% receive an hourly wage.

## At a Glance:

### **Unemployment Experience**

Involuntarily Unemployed:	4%
Underemployed:	5%

#### Turnover & Tenure

Switched Jobs:	8%
New Location:	25%
Over 2 years:	56%
Over 2 yrs, 2 <sup>nd</sup> location:	44%

### **Employment Type**

Salary:	70%
Hourly Wage:	26%

56% of NPs have worked at their primary location for more than 2 years—the job tenure normally required to get a conventional mortgage loan.

Employment Type							
Primary Work Site	#	%					
Salary/ Commission	5,120	66%					
Hourly Wage	2,164	28%					
By Contract	461	6%					
<b>Business/ Practice</b>	0	0%					
Income							
Unpaid	46	1%					
Subtotal	7,791						
Missing location	300						
Item missing	3,725						

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As reported by the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Over the past year, the non-seasonally adjusted monthly unemployment rate has fluctuated between a low of 3.2% and a high of 5.7%. At the time of publication, the unemployment rate for September 2021 was still preliminary.

Concentration	
Concentration	0.704
Top Region:	27%
op 3 Regions:	71%
owest Region:	2%
ocations	
or more (Past Year):	24%
or more (Now*):	22%

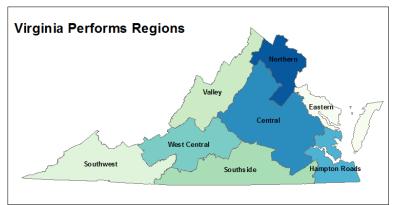
Northern Virginia has the highest number of NPs in the state, while Eastern Virginia has the fewest number of NPs in Virginia.

Number of Work Locations							
	Wc Locatio		Work Locations				
Locations		Past Year		W*			
	#	%	#	%			
0	287	3%	438	4%			
1	7,496	73%	7,531	74%			
2	1,255	12%	1,231	12%			
3	893	9%	832	8%			
4	141	1%	118	1%			
5	61	1%	18	0%			
6 or	101	1%	67	1%			
More							
Total	10,235	100%	10,235	100%			

\*At the time of survey completion (Oct. 2020 - Sept. 2021, birth month of respondent). Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center A Closer Look:

Regional Distribution of Work Locations						
Virginia Performs		nary Ition	Secondary Location			
Region	# %		#	%		
Central	2,501	25%	478	20%		
Eastern	143	1%	28	1%		
Hampton Roads	1,926	19%	479	20%		
Northern	2,693	27%	599	25%		
Southside	388	4%	62	3%		
Southwest	621	6%	172	7%		
Valley	552	6%	80	3%		
West Central	951	10%	205	8%		
Virginia Border State/DC	77	1%	73	3%		
Other US State	134	1%	252	10%		
Outside of the US	5	0%	2	0%		
Total	9,991	100%	2,430	100%		
Item Missing	1,778		30			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center



22% of all NPs had just one work location during the past year, while 24% of NPs had multiple work locations.

Location Sector							
	Prim	nary	Secondary				
Sector	Loca	tion	Location				
	#	%	#	%			
For-Profit	4,990	52%	1,455	63%			
Non-Profit	3,197	34%	601	26%			
State/Local Government	744	8%	170	7%			
Veterans Administration	280	3%	5	0%			
U.S. Military	197	2%	69	3%			
Other Federal	134	1%	21	1%			
Government							
Total	9,542	100%	2,321	100%			
Did not have location	300		9,613				
Item Missing	2,229		137				

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

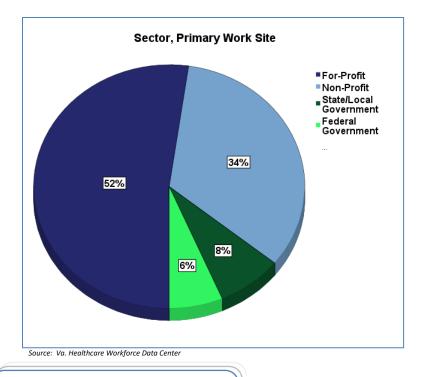
More than 80% of all NPs work in the private sector, including 52% in for-profit establishments. Meanwhile, 8% of NPs work for state or local governments, and 6% work for the federal government.

Electronic Health Records (EHRs) and Telehealth						
	#	%				
Meaningful use of EHRs	2,947	24%				
Remote Health, Caring for Patients in Virginia	766	6%				
Remote Health, Caring for Patients Outside of Virginia	237	2%				
Use at least one	3,332	28%				

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

## At a Glance: (Primary Locations)

<u>Sector</u> For Profit:	52%
Federal:	6%
Top Establishments	
Clinic, Primary Care:	19%
Hospital, Inpatient:	18%
Physician Office:	8%
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Dat	a Center



Nearly a quarter of the state's NP workforce use EHRs. 6% also provide remote health care for Virginia patients.

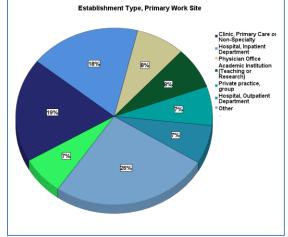
Location Type						
Establishment Type		nary ation	Secondary Location			
	#	%	#	%		
Clinic, Primary Care or Non- Specialty	1732	19%	269	12%		
Hospital, Inpatient Department	1658	18%	399	18%		
Physician Office	733	8%	121	5%		
Academic Institution (Teaching or Research)	692	8%	197	9%		
Private practice, group	653	7%	86	4%		
Hospital, Outpatient Department	643	7%	103	5%		
Clinic, Non-Surgical Specialty	363	4%	78	3%		
Ambulatory/Outpatient Surgical Unit	345	4%	140	6%		
Long Term Care Facility, Nursing Home	313	3%	129	6%		
Hospital, Emergency Department	235	3%	109	5%		
Mental Health, or Substance Abuse, Outpatient Center	222	2%	53	2%		
Private practice, solo	191	2%	29	1%		
Hospice	98	1%	59	3%		
Other Practice Setting	1,236	14%	469	21%		
Total	9,114	100%	2,241	100%		
Did Not Have a Location	300		9,613			

The single largest employer of Virginia's NPs is primary care/non-specialty clinics, where 19% of all NPs have their primary work location. Inpatient department of hospitals, physicians' offices, academic institutions, and group private practices were also common primary establishment types for Virginia's NP workforce.

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Among those NPs who also have a secondary work location, 18% work at the inpatient department of a hospital and 12% work in a primary care/non-specialty clinic.

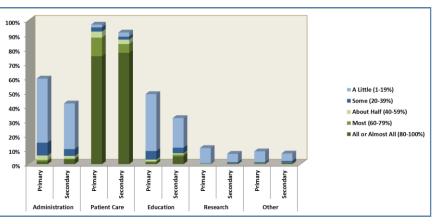
94% of NPs who responded to the question about forms of payment reported accepting private insurance as a form of payment for services rendered.



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Accepted Forms of Payment								
Payment	#	% of Workforce						
Private Insurance	7,431	94%						
Medicaid	6,867	87%						
Medicare	6,821	86%						
Cash/Self-Pay	6,494	82%						

At a Glance: (Primary Locations)						
<b>Typical Time Alloca</b>	ation					
Patient Care:	90%-99%					
Administration:	1%-9%					
Education:	1%-9%					
<u>Roles</u>						
Patient Care:	88%					
Administration:	3%					
Education:	2%					
Patient Care NPs						
Median Admin Time:	1%-9%					
Ave. Admin Time:	1%-9%					
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce	Data Center					



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

A typical NP spends most of her time on patient care activities, with most of the remaining time split between administrative and educational tasks. 88% of all NPs fill a patient care role, defined as spending 60% or more of their time on patient care activities.

	Time Allocation									
7	Adn	nin.	Patient Care		Education		Research		Other	
Time Spent	Prim. Site	Sec. Site	Prim. Site	Sec. Site	Prim. Site	Sec. Site	Prim. Site	Sec. Site	Prim. Site	Sec. Site
All or Almost All (80-100%)	2%	3%	75%	77%	1%	5%	0%	0%	0%	1%
Most (60-79%)	1%	1%	13%	6%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
About Half (40-59%)	3%	2%	4%	3%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Some (20-39%)	9%	5%	3%	2%	6%	4%	0%	1%	1%	1%
A Little (1-20%)	45%	32%	2%	3%	40%	21%	10%	6%	8%	5%
None (0%)	41%	58%	3%	8%	51%	68%	89%	93%	91%	93%

Retirement Expectations					
Expected Retirement	All I	NPs	NPs over 50		
Age	#	%	#	%	
Under age 50	166	2%	0	0%	
50 to 54	276	3%	14	0%	
55 to 59	753	9%	125	4%	
60 to 64	2,304	26%	677	22%	
65 to 69	3,339	38%	1,271	41%	
70 to 74	1,213	14%	627	20%	
75 to 79	234	3%	139	4%	
80 or over	85	1%	40	1%	
I do not intend to retire	428	5%	205	7%	
Total	8,798	100%	3,098	100%	

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

## At a Glance:

## **Retirement Expectations**

All NPs	
Under 65:	40%
Under 60:	14%
NPs 50 and over	
Under 65:	26%
Under 60:	4%

### **Time until Retirement**

Within 2 years:	5%
Within 10 years:	19%
Half the workforce:	By 2046

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

40% of NPs expect to retire by the age of 65, while 26% of NPs who are age 50 or over expect to retire by the same age. Meanwhile, 38% of all NPs expect to retire in their late 60s, and 23% of all NPs expect to work until at least age 70, including 5% who do not expect to retire at all.

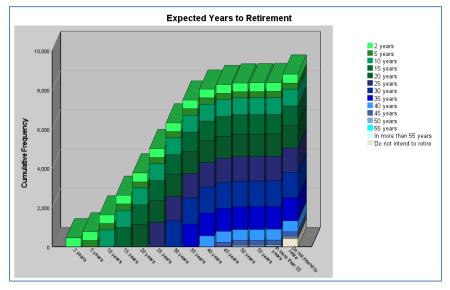
Within the next two years, only 4% of Virginia's NPs plan on leaving either the profession or the state. Meanwhile, 10% of NPs plan on increasing patient care hours, and 13% plan on pursuing additional educational opportunities.

Future Plans						
2 Year Plans: # %						
Decrease Participati	Decrease Participation					
Leave Profession	116	1%				
Leave Virginia	350	3%				
Decrease Patient Care Hours	1,240	10%				
Decrease Teaching Hours 108 19						
Increase Participation						
Increase Patient Care Hours	1,175	10%				
Increase Teaching Hours	1,300	11%				
Pursue Additional Education	1,572	13%				
Return to Virginia's Workforce	84	1%				

By comparing retirement expectation to age, we can estimate the maximum years to retirement for NPs. 5% of NPs expect to retire in the next two years, while 19% expect to retire in the next 10 years. More than half of the current NP workforce expect to retire by 2046.

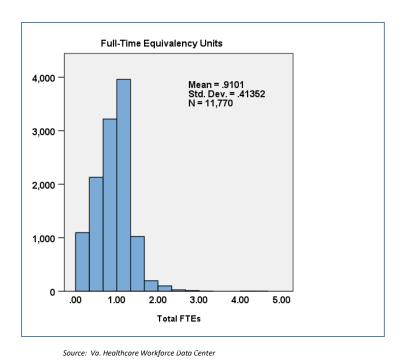
Time to Retirement					
Expect to retire within	#	%	Cumulative %		
2 years	451	5%	5%		
5 years	314	4%	9%		
10 years	863	10%	19%		
15 years	998	11%	30%		
20 years	1,135	13%	43%		
25 years	1,238	14%	57%		
30 years	1,318	15%	72%		
35 years	1,160	13%	85%		
40 years	559	6%	91%		
45 years	229	3%	94%		
50 years	84	1%	95%		
55 years	8	0%	95%		
In more than 55 years	13	0%	95%		
Do not intend to retire	428	5%	100%		
Total	8,797	100%			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center



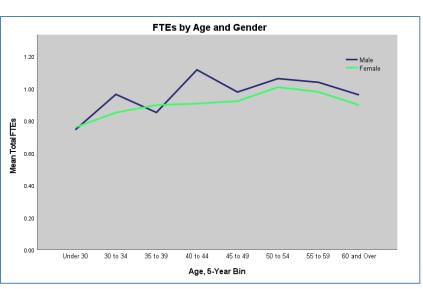
Using these estimates, retirement will begin to reach over 10% of the current workforce every 5 years by 2036. Retirement will peak at 15% of the current workforce around 2051 before declining to under 10% of the current workforce again around 2061.





The typical (median) NP provided 0.91 FTEs, or approximately 36 hours per week for 52 weeks. Although FTEs appear to vary by age and gender, statistical tests did not verify a difference exists<sup>2</sup>.

Full-Time Equivalency Units					
Age	Average Age	Median			
Under 30	0.77	0.77			
30 to 34	0.85	0.88			
35 to 39	0.95	1.01			
40 to 44	0.92	0.88			
45 to 49	0.88	0.89			
50 to 54	1.03	1.10			
55 to 59	0.94	1.01			
60 and	0.86	0.86			
Over					
Gender					
Male	0.98	1.06			
Female	0.91	0.91			



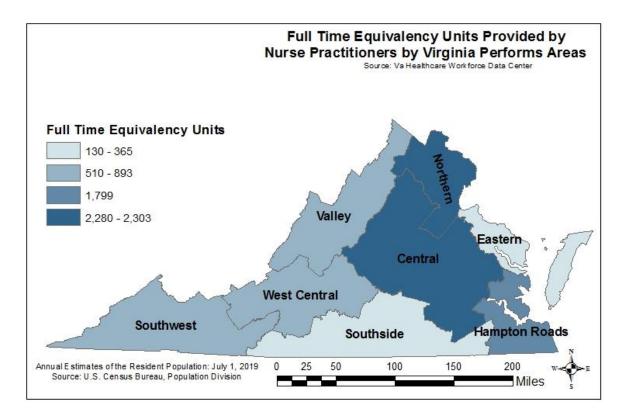
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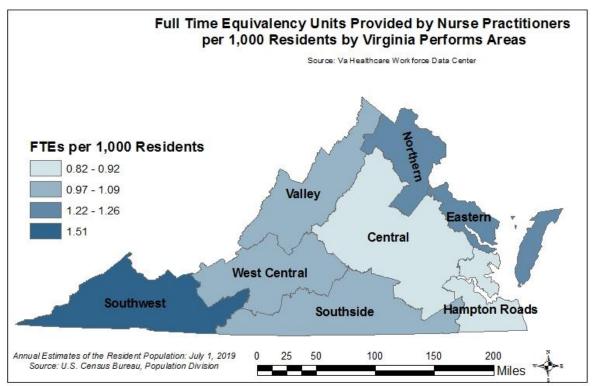
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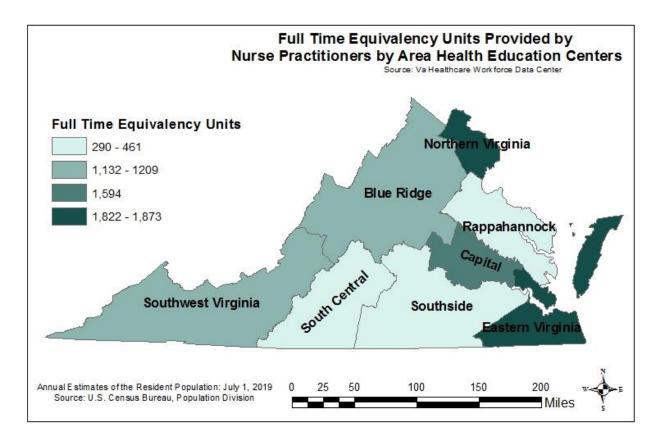
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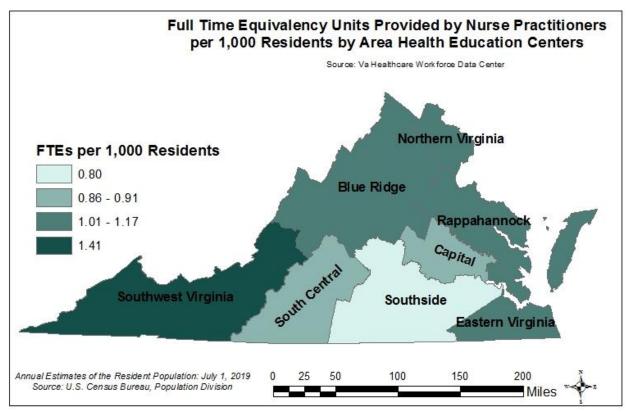
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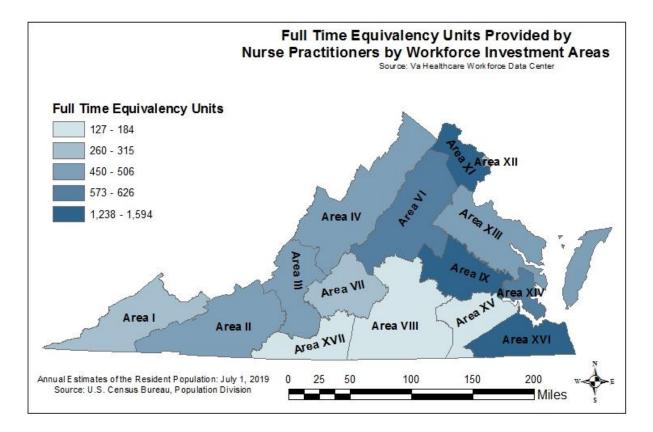
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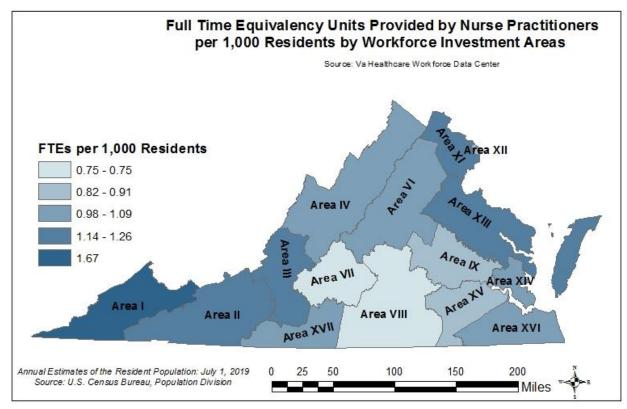


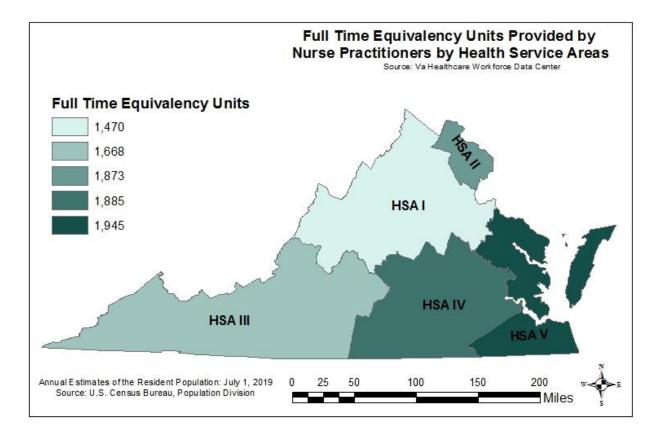


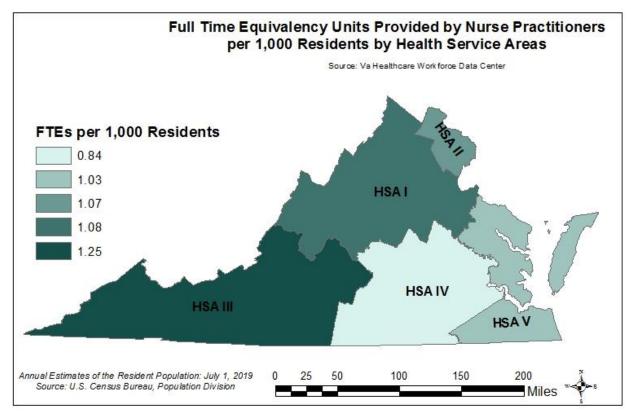


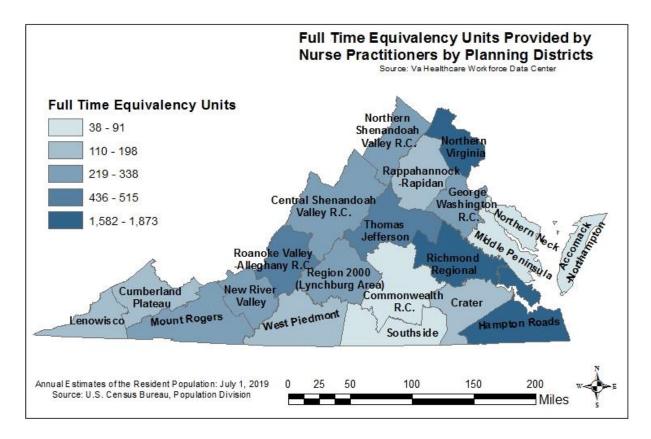


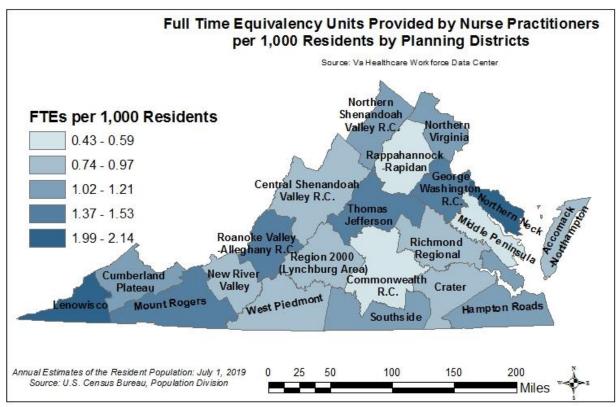












### Appendix A: Weights

Rural		Location W	eight	Total V	Veight
Status	#	Rate	Weight	Min	Max
Metro, 1 million+	7,368	35.26%	2.8360	2.2484	4.9872
Metro, 250,000 to 1 million	930	36.13%	2.7679	2.1943	4.8673
Metro, 250,000 or less	1,199	34.78%	2.8753	2.2795	5.0563
Urban pop 20,000+, Metro adj	183	32.79%	3.0500	2.4180	3.8692
Urban pop 20,000+, nonadj	0	NA	NA	NA	NA
Urban pop, 2,500- 19,999, Metro adj	361	35.73%	2.7985	2.2186	4.9211
Urban pop, 2,500- 19,999, nonadj	317	37.85%	2.6417	2.0943	4.6454
Rural, Metro adj	276	29.71%	3.3659	2.6684	5.9189
Rural, nonadj	112	26.79%	3.7333	2.9597	4.7361
Virginia border state/DC	2,038	15.60%	6.4088	5.0808	11.2700
Other US State	2,278	20.90%	4.7857	3.7940	8.4158

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Age	Age Weight		Total V	Veight	
Age	#	Rate	Weight	Min	Max
Under 30	493	17.24%	5.8000	4.6454	11.2700
30 to 34	2,086	30.73%	3.2543	2.6065	6.3234
35 to 39	2,682	23.90%	4.1841	3.3512	8.1301
40 to 44	2,182	37.08%	2.6972	2.1602	5.2409
45 to 49	1,955	26.50%	3.7741	3.0228	7.3335
50 to 54	1,663	38.24%	2.6148	2.0943	5.0808
55 to 59	1,386	27.71%	3.6094	2.8909	7.0134
60 and Over	2,616	32.61%	3.0668	2.4563	5.9592

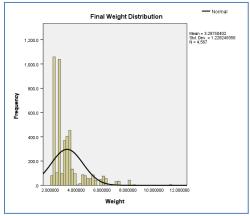
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

See the Methods section on the HWDC website for details on HWDC Methods: <u>https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/PublicRe</u> <u>sources/HealthcareWorkforceDataCent</u> <u>er/</u>

Final weights are calculated by multiplying the two weights and the overall response rate:

Age Weight x Rural Weight x Response Rate = Final Weight.

#### Overall Response Rate: 0.30319





# Virginia's Licensed Nurse Practitioner Workforce: Comparison by Specialty

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#### **Results in Brief**

This is a special report created for the Committee of the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine. The report uses data from the 2020 and 2021 Nurse Practitioner Surveys. The Virginia Department of Health Professions' Healthcare Workforce Data Center (HWDC) administers the survey during the license renewal process, which takes place during a two-year renewal cycle on the birth month of each respondent. Therefore, approximately half of all NPs have access to the survey in any given year. Two years' worth of data, therefore, will allow all eligible Nurse Practitioners (NPs) the opportunity to complete the survey. The 2020 survey occurred between October 2019 and September 2020; the 2021 survey occurred between October 2020 and September 2021. The survey was available to all renewing NPs who held a Virginia license during the survey period and who renewed their licenses online. It was not available to those who did not renew, including NPs who were newly licensed during the survey period.

This report breaks down survey findings for certified registered nurse anesthetists (CRNA), certified nurse midwives (CNM), and Certified Nurse Practitioners (CNPs). CNPs make up the highest proportion of NPs. Over 80% of NPs are CNPs whereas CNMs constitute only 3% of NPs. The full time equivalency units are also similarly distributed by specialty.

Nine of ten NPs are female; CNMs are nearly all female whereas slightly less than three-quarters of CRNAs are female; 93% of CNPs are female. The median age of all NPs is 44. The median age of CRNAs is 46 and the median age for CNPs is 44. CNMs have the lowest median age, 42. In a random encounter between two NPs, there is a 39% chance that they would be of different races or ethnicities, a measure known as the diversity index. CNMs were the least diverse with 32% diversity index; CRNAs and CNPs had 34% and 40% diversity indices, respectively. Overall, 12% of NPs work in rural areas. CNPs had the highest rural workforce participation; 13% of CNPs work in rural areas compared to 6% and 4% of CRNAs and CNMs, respectively.

CRNAs had the highest educational attainment with 19% reporting a doctorate degree; only 13% of CNMs and 12% of CNPs did. Surprisingly, CNMs reported the highest median education debt of \$90k-\$100k, and more than half of CNMs had education debt. Over half of CNPs also reported education debt although they had the lowest median at \$60k-\$70k. CRNAs had \$80-\$90k in education debt but only 45% of them had education debt.

CRNAs also reported the highest median annual income; they reported \$120k-\$130k in median income. The average for all other NPs is \$100k-\$110k. Further, 85% of CRNAs reported more than \$120,000 in income compared to 34% of CNMs and 25% of CNPs. However, only 74% of CRNAs received at least one employer-sponsored benefit compared to 80% of CNMs and 85% of CNPs. Overall, 94% of NPs are satisfied with their current employment situation. However, only 92% of CNMs were satisfied compared to 97% of CRNAs and 94% of CNPs. A third of all NPs reported employment instability in the year prior to the survey, with CRNAs being most likely to report employment instability.

CRNAs had the highest participation in the private sector, 91% of them worked in the sector compared to 89% of CNMs and 85% of CNPs. Meanwhile, CRNAs had the lowest percent working in federal, state, or local government. CRNAs and CNMs were most likely to be working in the inpatient department of hospitals whereas CNPs were most likely to work in primary care clinics. Only 12% of CRNAs used at least one form of electronic health record or telehealth compared to 28% of CNMs and 44% of CNPs. A quarter of CRNAs plan to retire within the next decade compared to 20% of CNMs and 17% of CNPs. About 43%, 34% and 38% of CRNAs, CNMs, and CNPs, respectively, plan to retire by the age of 65. Meanwhile, 2%, 6%, and 6% of CRNAs, CNMs, and CNPs, respectively, do not intend to retire.

In 2018, the General Assembly authorized the Joint Boards of Nursing and Medicine to promulgate regulations that would permit qualified nurse practitioners to practice autonomously after the completion of five years of clinical experience as a nurse practitioner under a practice agreement. The bill required that the Boards provide information regarding the practice of autonomously practicing NPs to committees of the General Assembly by November 2021. That report, which includes demographic, complaint, and disciplinary data, and suggested modifications to the provisions of the law, is now available<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://rga.lis.virginia.gov/Published/2021/RD625/PDF

## At a Glance:

Licensed NPs	
Total:	15,056
CRNA:	2,211
CNM:	421
CNP:	12,410

## **Response Rates**

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Cente

All Licensees: (2020<u>& 2021)</u> 58%

This report uses data from the 2020 and 2010 Nurse Practitioner Surveys, and licensure data retrieved in October 2021. Two years of survey data were used to get a complete portrait of the NP workforce since NPs are surveyed every two years in their birth month. Thus, every NP would have been eligible to complete a survey in only one of the two years. Newly licensed NPs do not complete the survey so they are excluded from the survey. From the licensure data, 2,211 of NPs reported their first specialty as CRNA; 421 had a first specialty of CNM, 12,410 had other first specialties. However, 2 CNMs reported two additional specialties and 55 reported one additional specialty. Eight CRNAs also reported one other specialty. "At a Glance" shows the break down by specialty. Over 83% are CNPs and about 3% are CNMs.

Response Rates				
	CRNA	CNM	CNP	Total
Completed Surveys 2020	665	126	3,232	4,023
Completed Surveys 2021	718	132	3,707	4,557
Response Rate, all licensees	63%	61%	56%	57%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Our surveys tend to achieve very high response rates. An average of 57% of NPs submitted a survey in both 2020 and 2021. As shown above, the response rate was highest for CRNAs and lowest for CNPs.

Not in Workforce in Past Year					
	CRNA	CNM	CNP	All 2021	
% of Licensees not in VA Workforce	23%	20%	19%	20%	
% in Federal Employee or Military:	9%	28%	14%	14%	
% Working in Virginia Border State or DC	16%	19%	27%	21%	

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

CRNAs were most likely to not be working in the state workforce whereas CNPs were most likely to be working in border states.

## Definitions

- 1. The Survey Period: The survey was conducted between October 2019 and September 2020, and between October 2020 and September 2021, on the birth month of each renewing practitioner.
- 2. Target Population: All NPs who held a Virginia license at some point during the survey period.
- 3. Survey Population: The survey was available to NPs who renewed their licenses online. It was not available to those who did not renew, including NPs newly licensed during the survey time frame.

#### The Workforce

## A Closer Look:

At a Glance:	
2020 and 2021 Workf	<u>orce</u>
Virginia's NP Workforce:	12,070
FTEs:	10,712
Workforce by Specialt	Y
CRNA:	1,709
CNM:	341
CNP:	10,046
FTE by Specialty	
CRNA:	2.053
CNM:	333
CNP:	8,956

	Definitions				
1.	<b>Virginia's Workforce:</b> A licensee with a primary or secondary work site in Virginia at any time during the survey timeframe or who indicated intent to return to Virginia's workforce at any point in the future.				
2.	<b>Full Time Equivalency Unit (FTE):</b> The HWDC uses 2,000 (40 hours for 50 weeks) as its baseline measure for FTEs.				
3.	<b>Licensees in VA Workforce:</b> The proportion of licensees in Virginia's Workforce.				
4.	Licensees per FTF: An indication of the number				

- Licensees per FTE: An indication of the number of licensees needed to create 1 FTE. Higher numbers indicate lower licensee participation.
- 5. Workers per FTE: An indication of the number of workers in Virginia's workforce needed to create 1 FTE. Higher numbers indicate lower utilization of available workers.

Virginia's NP Workforce										
	CRNA		CNM		СNР		All (2020)			
Status	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%		
Worked in Virginia in Past Year	1,696	99%	325	95%	9,824	98%	11,783	98%		
Looking for Work in Virginia	12	1%	16	5%	222	2%	287	2%		
Virginia's Workforce	1,709	100%	341	100%	10,046	100%	12,070	100%		
Total FTEs	2,053		333		8,956		10,712			
Licensees	2,112		421		12,410		15,063			

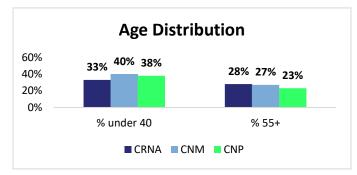
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

CNPs provided about 80% of the nurse practitioner FTEs in the state. CRNAs provided 16% whereas CNMs provided 3% of the FTEs. 5% of CNMs in the state's workforce were looking for work compared to 2% or less of the other NPs.

### A Closer Look (All Nurse Practitioners in 2021):

Age & Gender												
	Ν	lale	emale	e Total								
Age	#	% Male	#	% Female	#	% in Age Group						
Under 30	20	5%	406	95%	425	4%						
30 to 34	135	8%	1,469	92%	1,603	15%						
35 to 39	207	11%	1,746	89%	1,953	18%						
40 to 44	157	10%	1,382	90%	1,539	14%						
45 to 49	164	12%	1,185	88%	1,348	13%						
50 to 54	127	11%	1,023	89%	1,150	11%						
55 to 59	88	9%	871	91%	959	9%						
60 +	170	10%	1,506	90%	1,676	16%						
Total	1,066	10%	9,588	90%	10,654	100%						

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

At a Glan	
<u>Gender</u>	
% Female:	90%
% Under 40 Female:	91%
% Female by Specia	alty
CRNA:	71%
CNM:	98%
CNP:	93%
% Female <40 by Sr	pecialty
CRNA:	74%
CNM:	96%
CNP:	93%

CNMs have lowest median age of 42; median age is 46 for CRNAs and 44 for CNPs.

		Age & Gender by Specialty											
		C	RNA			CNM				CNP			
	Fen	nale	То	tal	Female		Тс	Total		nale	То	tal	
Age	#	%	#	% in	#	%	#	% in	#	%	#	% in	
		Female		Age		Female		Age		Female		Age	
				Group				Group				Group	
Under 30	14	75%	18	1%	13	100%	13	4%	341	92%	371	4%	
30 to 34	162	76%	213	14%	56	100%	56	19%	1,421	94%	1,513	17%	
35 to 39	187	71%	262	17%	46	91%	51	17%	1,402	94%	1,500	17%	
40 to 44	195	77%	253	17%	43	100%	43	14%	1,299	93%	1,405	16%	
45 to 49	111	66%	169	11%	24	100%	24	8%	985	92%	1,066	12%	
50 to 54	107	64%	167	11%	30	100%	30	10%	934	91%	1,022	11%	
55 to 59	105	73%	143	9%	21	100%	21	7%	675	95%	710	8%	
60 +	191	67%	284	19%	60	100%	60	20%	1,262	95%	1,331	15%	
Total	1,071	71%	1,509	100%	293	98%	298	100%	8,320	93%	8,917	100%	

#### A Closer Look (All Nurse Practitioners in 2021):

Race & Ethnicity (2021)												
Race/ Virginia* NPs NPs under 4												
Ethnicity	%	#	%	#	%							
White	61%	8,243	77%	3,028	76%							
Black	19%	1,220	11%	441	11%							
Asian	7%	630	6%	251	6%							
Other Race	0%	106	1%	37	1%							
Two or more	3%	186	2%	70	2%							
races												
Hispanic	10%	324	3%	164	4%							
Total	100%	10,709	100%	3,991	100%							

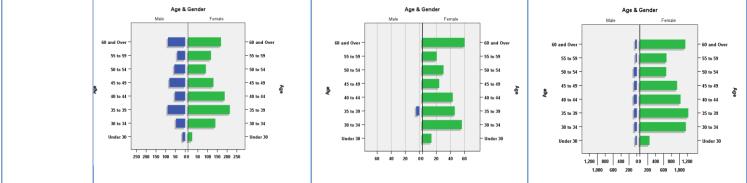
\* Population data in this chart is from the US Census, Annual Estimates of the Resident Population by Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin for the United States, States, and Counties: July 1, 2019. Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

# At a Glance:

### 2021 Diversity

Diversity Index:	39%
Under 40 Div. Index:	41%
Diversity by Specia	lty
CRNA:	34%
CNM:	32%
CNP:	40%

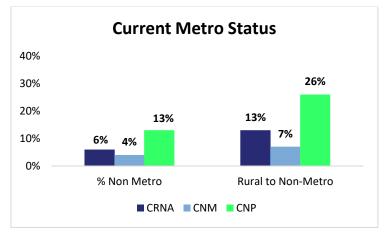
	Age, Race, Ethnicity & Gender												
	CRNA					C	M			СNР			
Race/	NP	°S	NPs ui	nder 40	N	Ps	NPs u	nder 40	N	IPs	NPs ur	nder 40	
Ethnicity	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	
White	1,207	81%	394	80%	244	81%	91	75%	6,844	76%	2,548	75%	
Black	100	7%	29	6%	39	13%	21	17%	1,124	13%	412	12%	
Asian	94	6%	27	5%	1	0%	0	0%	469	5%	200	6%	
Other Race	20	1%	9	2%	3	1%	2	2%	88	1%	27	1%	
Two or	29	2%	13	3%	2	1%	2	2%	155	2%	70	2%	
more races													
Hispanic	45	3%	22	4%	11	4%	5	4%	271	3%	136	4%	
Total	1,495	100%	494	100%	300	100%	121	100%	8,951	100%	3,393	100%	



#### Background

#### A Closer Look:

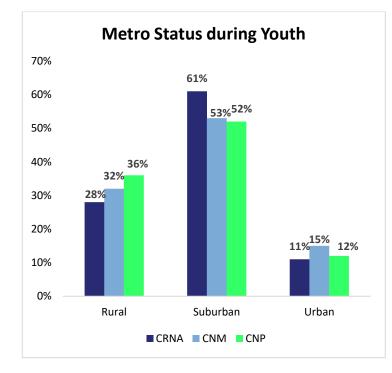
At a Gla	mce:
Rural Childhoo	<u>od</u>
CRNA:	28%
CNM:	32%
CNP:	36%
All:	34%
Non-Metro Lo	<u>cation</u>
CRNA:	6%
CNM:	4%
CNP:	13%
All:	12%



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

	HS in VA	Prof. Ed. in VA	HS or Prof in VA	NP Degree in VA
CRNA	32%	35%	39%	44%
CNM	31%	33%	40%	27%
CNP	48 <b>%</b>	55%	60%	55%
All (2021)	44%	51%	56%	52%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center



CNPs were most likely to have been educated in the state. CNMs were least likely to have obtained their NP education in the state. Also, CNPs had the highest percent reporting a non-metro work location.

#### Education

#### A Closer Look:

At a	Glance:

Median Educa	ational Debt
CRNA:	\$80k-\$90k
CNM:	\$90k-\$100k
CNP:	\$60k-\$70k

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

CNMs were most likely to carry education debt; 55% and 77% of all CNMs and of CNMs under age 40, respectively, had education debt. Their median debt at \$90k-\$100k was also the highest. CNPs had the lowest median education debt although over half of them also reported education debt.

	Highest Degree							
	CRNA		CNM		CNP		All (2	2021)
Degree	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
NP Certificate	126	9%	6	2%	91	1%	225	2%
Master's Degree	1,054	72%	211	72%	6,942	79%	8,159	78%
Post-Masters Cert.	15	1%	40	14%	740	8%	753	7%
Doctorate of NP	193	13%	28	10%	775	9%	1,043	10%
Other Doctorate	88	6%	8	3%	222	3%	303	3%
Post-Ph.D. Cert.	0	0%	0	0%	1	0%	2	0%
Total	1,476	100%	293	100%	8,771	100%	10,485	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

	Educational Debt									
Amount Carried	C	CRNA		NM	C	<b>NP</b>	All (2021)			
Amount Carneu	All NPs	NPs < 40	All NPs	NPs < 40	All NPs	NPs < 40	All NPs	NPs < 40		
None	55%	33%	45%	23%	48%	37%	49%	38%		
\$20,000 or less	6%	3%	5%	4%	8%	8%	8%	7%		
\$20,000-\$29,999	3%	1%	2%	0%	4%	5%	4%	5%		
\$30,000-\$39,999	3%	6%	2%	2%	4%	6%	4%	6%		
\$40,000-\$49,999	3%	6%	3%	2%	4%	5%	4%	5%		
\$50,000-\$59,999	2%	3%	7%	11%	4%	4%	3%	3%		
\$60,000-\$69,999	2%	2%	2%	0%	4%	6%	4%	5%		
\$70,000-\$79,999	2%	4%	3%	7%	4%	6%	4%	6%		
\$80,000-\$89,999	2%	3%	2%	0%	3%	4%	3%	3%		
\$90,000-\$99,999	2%	3%	1%	1%	3%	4%	3%	4%		
\$100,000-\$109,999	2%	4%	6%	11%	3%	3%	3%	3%		
\$110,000-\$119,999	2%	4%	1%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%		
\$120,000 or more	15%	29%	20%	37%	9%	10%	11%	13%		
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%		

# At a Glance:

Employed in Pro	ofession
CRNA:	98%
CNM:	91%
CNP:	95%
Involuntary Une	<u>employment</u>
CRNA:	0%

3%

1%

CNM:

CNP:

A Closer Loc	ok:
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	Cu	rrent Wee	kly Hours	5
Hours	CRNA	CNM	CNP	All
				(2021)
0 hours	1%	6%	3%	3%
1 to 9 hours	1%	4%	2%	2%
10 to 19 hours	3%	1%	3%	2%
20 to 29 hours	7%	7%	7%	7%
30 to 39 hours	24%	16%	21%	20%
40 to 49 hours	52%	35%	48%	48%
50 to 59 hours	8%	16%	11%	11%
60 to 69 hours	2%	11%	4%	4%
70 to 79 hours	0%	3%	1%	1%
80 or more hours	1%	2%	2%	1%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Over half of CRNAs work 40-49 hours and 12% work more than 50 hours whereas about 32% of CNMs work more than 50 hours. Close to half of CNPs work 40-49 hours and 17% work more than 50 hours.

	Current Positions							
	CR	NA	CI	M	CI	IP	All (2	021)
Positions	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
No Positions	20	1%	16	6%	283	3%	327	3%
<b>One Part-Time Position</b>	217	15%	43	15%	1,192	14%	1,500	15%
<b>Two Part-Time Positions</b>	55	4%	7	2%	284	3%	338	3%
One Full-Time Position	922	63%	183	64%	5,633	66%	6,634	65%
One Full-Time Position &	201	14%	28	10%	1,039	12%	1,204	12%
<b>One Part-Time Position</b>								
<b>Two Full-Time Positions</b>	2	0%	2	1%	36	0%	46	0%
More than Two Positions	53	4%	6	2%	126	1%	192	2%
Total	1,470	100%	285	100%	8,593	100%	10,241	100%

#### A Closer Look:

	Employer-Sponsored Benefits*				
Benefit	CRNA	CNM	CNP	All (2021)	
Signing/Retention Bonus	27%	21%	13%	15%	
Dental Insurance	57%	51%	63%	62%	
Health Insurance	58%	56%	65%	63%	
Paid Leave	64%	70%	75%	73%	
Group Life Insurance	53%	40%	51%	51%	
Retirement	69%	64%	72%	73%	
Receive at least one benefit	74%	80%	85%	81%	
*Wage and salaried employees receiving from any employer at time of survey.					

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

CRNAs reported \$120k-\$130k in median income. All other NPs, including CNMs, reported \$100k-\$110k in median income. CNMs were the least satisfied with their current employment situation whereas CRNAs were the most satisfied. 3% of CNMs reported being very dissatisfied whereas 2% or less of the other NPs reported being very dissatisfied.

#### Income CNM All (2021) **Annual Income CRNA** CNP 1% **Volunteer Work Only** 0% 1% 1% 7% 4% Less than \$40,000 2% 5% \$40,000-\$49,999 0% 2% 2% 2% \$50,000-\$59,999 1% 2% 1% 3% \$60,000-\$69,999 1% 5% 4% 4% \$70,000-\$79,999 1% 5% 6% 6% \$80,000-\$89,999 1% 8% 9% 7% \$90,000-\$99,999 2% 10% 14% 11% \$100,000-\$109,999 4% 14% 19% 16%

3%

85%

100%

11%

34%

100%

13%

25%

100%

12%

35%

100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

\$110,000-\$119,999

\$120,000 or more

Total

# At a Glance:

#### Median Income

CRNA:	\$120k-\$130k
CNM:	\$100k-\$110k
CNP:	\$100k-\$110K
All (2021):	\$100k-\$110k

#### **Percent Satisfied**

CRNA:	97%
CNM:	92%
CNP:	94%

#### Labor Market

#### A Closer Look:

Employment Instability i	n Past Ye	ar		
In the past year did you?	CRNA	CNM	CNP	All (2021)
Experience Involuntary Unemployment?	7%	6%	3%	4%
Experience Voluntary Unemployment?	4%	6%	5%	5%
Work Part-time or temporary positions, but would have preferred a full-time/permanent position?	2%	1%	4%	4%
Work two or more positions at the same time?	20%	13%	18%	17%
Switch employers or practices?	6%	10%	9%	8%
Experienced at least 1	32%	29%	30%	30%

# At a Glance:

Involuntarily Unemployed				
CRNA:	7%			
CNM:	3%			
CNP:	3%			
Underemploye	<u>d</u>			
CRNA:	2%			
CNM:	3%			
CNP:	4%			
Over 2 Years Jo	<u>b Tenure</u>			
CRNA:	69%			
CNM:	48%			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

	Job Tenure at Location						
Tenure	C	RNA	CNM		C	CNP	
renure	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	
Not Currently	1%	5%	3%	3%	3%	7%	
Working at							
this Location							
< 6 Months	5%	8%	6%	10%	8%	15%	
6 Months-1 yr	6%	12%	12%	16%	12%	16%	
1 to 2 Years	18%	24%	29%	28%	24%	21%	
3 to 5 Years	28%	28%	24%	23%	24%	22%	
6 to 10 Years	16%	10%	12%	15%	14%	12%	
> 10 Years	25%	12%	14%	5%	15%	8%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	

CNMs were most likely to be paid by salary or commission. Over 75% of them were paid that way, compared to 55% of CRNAs and 69% of CNPs.

53%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

	Forms	of Payme	nt	
Primary Work Site	CRNA	CNM	CNP	All (2021)
Salary/ Commission	55%	79%	69%	66%
Hourly Wage	36%	14%	26%	28%
By Contract	10%	7%	5%	6%
Unpaid	0%	0%	1%	0%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%

CNP:

At a Glance:					
<u>% in Top 3 F</u>	Regions				
CRNA:	78%				
CNM:	74%				
CNP:	70%				
2 or More Locations Now					
CRNA:	29%				
CNM:	21%				
CNP:	22%				
Source: Va. Healt	hcare Workforce Data Center				

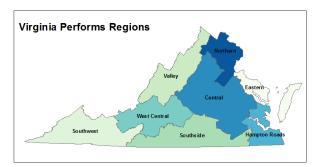
For primary work locations, Northern Virginia has the highest proportion of CNMs and CRNAs whereas CNPs were most concentrated in both the Central and Northern Virginia regions.

#### A Closer Look:

Regional Distribution of Work Locations									
Virginia	C	RNA	С	NM	C	СNР			
Performs	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary	Primary	Secondary			
Region									
Central	27%	20%	19%	29%	25%	20%			
Eastern	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	2%			
Hampton	22%	24%	21%	14%	18%	17%			
Roads									
Northern	30%	28%	33%	15%	26%	23%			
Southside	3%	2%	1%	0%	4%	3%			
Southwest	3%	3%	1%	4%	7%	7%			
Valley	2%	2%	10%	8%	6%	5%			
West Central	9%	7%	14%	5%	10%	10%			
Virginia	1%	4%	0%	18%	1%	3%			
Border									
State/DC									
Other US	2%	8%	0%	7%	1%	10%			
State									
Outside of the	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%			
US									
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%			

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Number of Work Locations Now*									
Locations	CRI	NA	CN	M	C	NP			
	#	%	#	%	#	%			
0	25	2%	22	8%	361	4%			
1	1,012	69%	202	72%	6,307	74%			
2	177	12%	37	13%	1,098	13%			
3	195	13%	18	7%	644	8%			
4	31	2%	0	0%	76	1%			
5	8	1%	2	1%	17	0%			
6 +	17	1%	1	0%	49	1%			
Total	1,464	100%	281	100%	8,551	100%			



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

\*At survey completion (birth month of respondents)

#### Establishment Type

#### A Closer Look:

	Location Sector							
Sector	CRI	NA	CN	CNM		CNP		021)
	Primary	Sec	Primary	Sec	Primary	Sec	Primary	Sec
For-Profit	55%	66%	60%	53%	52%	63%	52%	63%
Non-Profit	36%	26%	29%	28%	33%	26%	34%	26%
State/Local Government	4%	3%	4%	12%	9%	8%	8%	7%
Veterans Administration	2%	0%	0%	0%	3%	0%	3%	0%
U.S. Military	2%	4%	5%	7%	2%	1%	2%	3%
Other Federal	0%	0%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Government								
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

CRNAs had the highest participation in the private sector, 91% of them worked in the sector compared to 89% of CNMs and 85% of CNPs. Meanwhile, CRNAs had the lowest percent working in state, local or federal government.

Electronic Heal	th Records (	EHRs) and	Telehealt	h
	CRNA	CNM	CNP	All (2021)
Meaningful use of EHRs	11%	21%	33%	24%
Remote Health, Caring for Patients in Virginia	1%	14%	25%	6%
Remote Health, Caring for Patients Outside of Virginia	0%	3%	6%	2%
Use at least one	12%	28%	44%	28%

# At a Glance:

(Primary Locations)

#### For-Profit Primary Sector

CRNA:	5
CNM:	6
CNP:	5

#### **Top Establishments**

CRNA: CNM: CNP: Inpatient Department Inpatient Department Clinic, Primary Care

60%

52%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

More than a quarter of the state NP workforce used at least one EHR. 6% also provided remote health care for Virginia patients. CNPs were most likely to report using at least one EHR or telehealth whereas CRNAs were least likely to report doing so likely because of the nature of their job.

	Location Type								
Establishment Type	CR	NA	CNM CI			CNP All		(2020)	
	Primary	Sec	Primary	Sec	Primary	Sec	Primary	Sec	
Clinic, Primary Care or Non- Specialty	0%	1%	13%	2%	22%	16%	19%	12%	
Hospital, Inpatient Department	39%	29%	19%	45%	15%	14%	18%	18%	
Physician Office	1%	4%	13%	3%	9%	5%	8%	5%	
Academic Institution (Teaching or Research)	11%	4%	8%	10%	7%	10%	8%	9%	
Private practice, group	3%	2%	19%	9%	8%	5%	7%	4%	
Hospital, Outpatient Department	12%	11%	3%	0%	6%	3%	7%	5%	
Clinic, Non-Surgical Specialty	0%	2%	6%	5%	4%	4%	4%	3%	
Ambulatory/Outpatient Surgical Unit	18%	28%	0%	0%	1%	1%	4%	6%	
Long Term Care Facility, Nursing Home	0%	0%	0%	0%	4%	6%	3%	6%	
Hospital, Emergency Department	3%	4%	0%	0%	2%	5%	3%	5%	
Mental Health, or Substance Abuse, Outpatient Center	0%	0%	0%	0%	3%	3%	2%	2%	
Private practice, solo	0%	0%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%	
Hospice	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	4%	1%	3%	
Other Practice Setting	12%	12%	15%	24%	12%	12%	14%	21%	
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

The inpatient department of a hospital was the most mentioned primary work establishment for NPs on average. This result was driven primarily by CRNAs and CNMs. For CNPs, primary care clinic was the most mentioned primary work establishment.

#### **Time Allocation**

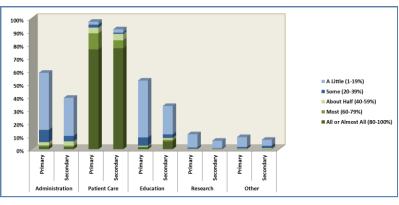
# At a Glance:

(Primary Locations)

#### **Patient Care Role**

<u> </u>	
CRNA:	95%
CNM:	87%
CNP:	87%
Education Role	
CRNA:	1%
CNM:	4%
CNP:	2%
<u>Admin Role</u>	
CRNA:	1%
CNM:	3%
CNP:	3%
Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Do	ata Center

#### A Closer Look:



Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

On average, 88% of all NPs fill a patient care role, defined as spending 60% or more of their time on patient care activities. CRNAs were most likely to fill a patient care role; 95% of CRNAs filled such role compared to 87% of CNMs and CNPs.

		Patient Care Time Allocation								
Time Spent	CRI	NA	CN	CNM		NP	All (2021)			
	Prim.	Sec.	Prim.	Sec.	Prim.	Sec.	Prim.	Sec.		
	Site	Site	Site	Site	Site	Site	Site	Site		
All or Almost All (80-100%)	89%	91%	66%	75%	73%	74%	75%	77%		
Most (60-79%)	6%	2%	21%	0%	14%	7%	13%	6%		
About Half (40-59%)	1%	2%	2%	6%	5%	4%	4%	3%		
Some (20-39%)	1%	0%	4%	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%		
A Little (1-20%)	2%	0%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%		
None (0%)	1%	4%	5%	13%	3%	9%	3%	8%		

#### A Closer Look:

Future Plans									
	CRI	NA	С	NM	CN	Р			
2 Year Plans:	#	%	#	%	#	%			
Decre	ase Pa	rticipat	ion						
Leave Profession	8	0%	0	0%	105	1%			
Leave Virginia	57	3%	17	5%	293	3%			
Decrease Patient Care	167	10%	43	13%	836	8%			
Hours									
Decrease Teaching Hours	3	0%	1	0%	87	1%			
Increase Patient Care	103	6%	18	5%	1,113	11%			
Hours									
Increase Teaching Hours	76	4%	68	20%	1,213	12%			
Pursue Additional	72	4%	53	16%	1,479	15%			
Education									
Return to Virginia's	6	0%	11	3%	63	1%			
Workforce									

# At a Glance:

<b>Retirement within</b>	n 2 Years
CRNA:	8%
CNM:	7%
CNP:	5%

<b>Retirement wi</b>	thin 10 Years
CRNA:	25%
CNM:	20%
CNP:	17%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

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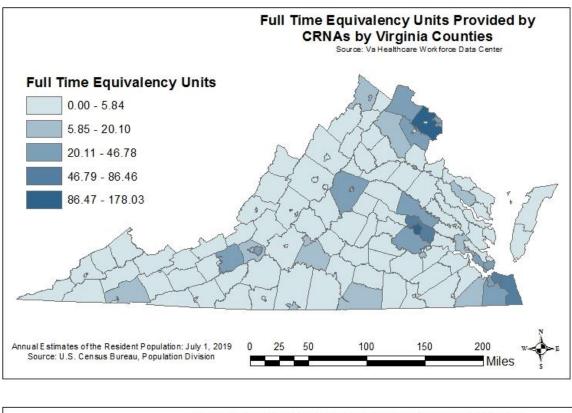
43%, 34% and 38% of CRNAs, CNMs, and CNPs, respectively, expect to retire by the age of 65. Further, 29%, 23%, and 25% of CRNAs, CNMs, and CNPs, respectively, aged 50 or over expect to retire by the same age. Meanwhile, 2%, 6%, and 6% of CRNAs, CNMs, and CNPs, respectively, do not plan to retire at all.

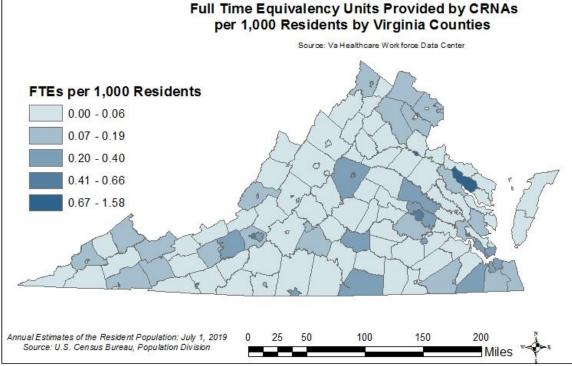
Expected Retirement	CR	NA	CN	CNM		NP	All (2021)	
Age	All	NP	All	NP	All	NP	All	NP
	NPs	>50	NPs	>50	NPs	>50	NPs	>50
		yrs		yrs		yrs		yrs
Under age 50	1%	-	4%	-	2%	-	2%	-
50 to 54	3%	1%	1%	0%	3%	0%	3%	0%
55 to 59	9%	3%	9%	8%	8%	4%	9%	4%
60 to 64	30%	25%	20%	15%	25%	21%	26%	22%
65 to 69	39%	45%	37%	47%	38%	41%	38%	41%
70 to 74	13%	19%	19%	26%	14%	20%	14%	20%
75 to 79	2%	4%	4%	1%	3%	5%	3%	4%
80 or over	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
I do not intend to retire	2%	2%	6%	2%	6%	8%	5%	7%
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

	Time to Retirement							
	CRNA		CNM		CNP		All (2021)	
Expect to retire within	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
2 years	109	8%	17	7%	334	5%	451	5%
5 years	53	4%	10	4%	224	3%	314	4%
10 years	156	12%	25	10%	713	10%	863	10%
15 years	157	12%	33	13%	783	11%	998	11%
20 years	196	15%	18	7%	890	12%	1,135	13%
25 years	164	13%	29	11%	1,054	14%	1,238	14%
30 years	190	15%	39	15%	1,098	15%	1,318	15%
35 years	160	12%	38	15%	1,030	14%	1,160	13%
40 years	58	4%	15	6%	547	7%	559	6%
45 years	17	1%	5	2%	196	3%	229	3%
50 years	4	0%	5	2%	79	1%	84	1%
55 years	0	0%	0	0%	11	0%	8	0%
In more than 55 years	0	0%	3	1%	9	0%	13	0%
Do not intend to retire	30	2%	16	6%	437	6%	428	5%
Total	1,294	100%	254	100%	7,404	100%	8,797	100%

Source: Va. Healthcare Workforce Data Center

Using these estimates, retirement will begin to reach over 10% of the current workforce every 5 years by 2036. Retirement will peak at 15% of the current workforce around 2051 before declining to under 10% of the current workforce again around 2061.





Note: Maps show reported work hours in primary and secondary locations of respondents who provided a response to the relevant question. Map may not reflect hours worked by all nurse practitioners licensed in the state since response rate was less than 100%.

