

SYSTEMS-LEVEL LEADERSHIP

WOMEN'S HEALTH FOCUS

WOMEN'S HEALTH NURSE LEADER

ADVOCATING FOR THE HEALTH AND WELLNESS OF WOMEN



The Women's Health Nurse Leader track within the DNP program prepares you to be a leader in advancing health equity and improving outcomes through expert clinical practice, education, mentorship, consultation, and research.

You'll shape policy, strengthen healthcare systems, and lead interdisciplinary teams. With a strong foundation in comprehensive sexual and reproductive care, including but not limited to fertility, pregnancy, and birth, you'll be equipped to support individuals across the lifespan and drive meaningful change in diverse communities.

Your Scope Expands

As an WHNL, you will:

- Lead quality improvement initiatives and shape policy to advance women's health equity
- Provide expert consultation and mentor staff to elevate clinical excellence
- Conduct research and translate evidence into practice across healthcare systems

Where You'll Practice

- Hospital women's health and maternity services
- Birth centers and reproductive health clinics
- Healthcare systems and managed care organizations
- Academic medical centers
- Public health departments and policy organizations
- Women's health advocacy organizations
- Medically underserved and rural practice settings

// *As a Women's Health Nurse Leader, I'm not just caring for individual patients — I'm shaping the policies and systems that impact thousands of women. Leading quality improvement initiatives and mentoring staff allows me to multiply my impact across our entire healthcare system."*

— Graduate, DNP WHNL '23



Did you know?

WOMEN'S HEALTH NURSE LEADERS BRIDGE THE GAP BETWEEN CLINICAL EXPERTISE AND SYSTEMS CHANGE — ADVANCING CARE FOR MILLIONS OF WOMEN THROUGH POLICY, EDUCATION, AND LEADERSHIP. LEADERSHIP ROLES IN WOMEN'S HEALTH ARE PROJECTED TO GROW 25% BY 2032.

U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS

UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON | SCHOOL OF NURSING
DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE

DURATION
9 quarters

FORMAT
In-person with pre-arranged clinicals

PRIORITY DEADLINE
January 15, 2026

SPACE AVAILABLE
May 1, 2026 (select tracks)



READY TO ADVANCE YOUR CAREER? SCAN TO CONNECT WITH OUR ADMISSIONS TEAM.