

HIGH DEMAND

HOSPITAL-BASED

ADULT-GERONTOLOGY ACUTE CARE NURSE PRACTITIONER

Lead at the Frontlines of Acute & Critical Care



Our Adult-Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner (AGACNP) track within the DNP degree program prepares you to diagnose, treat, and manage adolescents through older adults with acute, critical, and complex chronic conditions.

AGACNPs are equipped to respond decisively in high-stakes clinical environments bringing advanced expertise to rapidly assess, intervene, and guide care for patients with acute and complex needs. Through intensive training, you will learn critical procedures while developing the leadership and autonomy to manage care plans, coordinate teams, and support patients across the continuum from stabilization to end-of-life care.

As an AGACNP, You Will

- **Diagnose & treat** acute and complex conditions
- **Make independent clinical decisions** in high-acuity settings
- **Perform advanced procedures** like intubation, central line placement, lumbar puncture and chest tube insertion.
- **Lead interdisciplinary teams** to deliver coordinated care
- **Support transitions of care** from hospital to outpatient or long-term settings

Where You Will Practice

- Critical & Intensive care units
- Hospital medicine services
- Surgical specialties (inpatient, outpatient, trauma)
- Transplant services
- Cardiology sub-specialties
- Palliative Care & End-of-Life
- Pulmonology & Respiratory care units
- Neurosciences
- Hematology/Oncology
- Veterans Affairs hospitals
- Rural & Critical Access Hospitals
- Academic Medical Centers & Tertiary Care Facilities

I went from following orders to writing them. From suggesting to deciding. The autonomy is exhilarating — and yes, the responsibility is heavy. But this is exactly why I became a nurse practitioner: to make a real difference when seconds count.

— AGACNP Graduate, Now at Harborview Medical Center



Did you know?

78% OF HOSPITALS REPORT ACUTE SHORTAGES OF ADVANCED PRACTICE PROVIDERS FOR INPATIENT CARE

AANP WORKFORCE SURVEY 2024

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.