

# Advanced Registered Nurse Practitioner Care

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## Legislative Update

by Marty Couret

The legislative session is in full swing. This year is a long session 105 days verses last years 60. We are hoping to get a few pieces of legislation through. Since our organization doesn't have tons of money to give to campaigns, it counts on the grass root efforts of its members. That means you. Below is a list of the bills that we are trying to get through. We have posted our legislative agenda as well as a Nurse Practitioner fact sheet on our web site for you to send to your legislators.

**Labor and Industries:** HB1691 – This bill is identical to 2nd SSB 5797 of last year. This bill will allow Nurse Practitioners to sign the Accident Report Form and the Time Loss Form for L&I. This is not an expansion of practice issue since ARNPs can provide all of the care for L&I patients as well as bill for their services.

**Cross Border Prescriptions:** SB 5675 – This bill resolves a problem that Nurse Practitioners from other states have when their patients try to have their prescriptions filled in Washington. This bill is of particular importance to bordering states and mail-in pharmacies.

**Handicapped Parking:** HB 1655 and SB 5460 – These bills reinforce the current WAC (Washington Administrative Code) that allows Nurse Practitioners to sign for handicapped parking permits.

## Monitoring

Health care is a hot topic in Olympia this year. There are a lot of bills out there that threaten Nurse Practitioner practice. Our Legislative Committee and our lobbyist Jerry Farley are monitoring these bills.

HB 1010 – This bill sets the time frame for which a minor can be discharged after a voluntary admission to a mental health facility.

SB 5571 – This bill addresses alterations to the basic health plan. This is the template used for all health insurance. There was a similar bill last year. We have checked this bill and it appears to cover reimbursement for nurse practitioners. We are re-reading the fine print under the HMO section just in case.

SB 5209 and HB 1643 – Medical malpractice is an issue on every health care providers mind. This is of particular importance to the Midwives as their insurance is much higher than the primary care nurse practitioners. While ARNPs United is not supporting a straight cap on pain and suffering, they do see the need for insurance reform. We will continue to monitor this situation.

## Classified Ads

### Family Nurse Practitioner

Immediate opening in a busy well established nurse practitioner owned clinic in Port Angeles, Wa. Fulltime 36-40 hrs./wk average. Competitive salary DOE, plus bonuses, medical, 401K, CE, cell phone, malpractice, congenial staff, challenging practice with a wide variety of clientele. Experience in acute care desirable. Must be able to work independently, efficiently and have good people skills.

Send CV to CliniCare, Atten David Kanters, 621 E Front St., Port Angeles WA. 98362. email medic@olympus.net cc clinicare@olympus.net

### Medical Oncology Nurse Practitioner

If you're looking for an exciting opportunity to provide quality patient care in a friendly, supportive environment, this is the job for you. I am a very busy Hematologist-Medical Oncologist in a hospital-based private practice in Mount Vernon, WA looking for an experienced Oncology Nurse Practitioner. The people here are nice, the patients are appreciative, and the compensation is competitive.

Mail Resume/CV and email address to: Robert Raish, MD  
15253 Josh Wilson Road, Burlington, WA 98233

### ARNP Family Practice

Family Practice in Burien area seeking experienced ARNP. Practice opportunity available immediately. Position is .6 to Full time. Excellent employment package.

For more information please e-mail CV to HMEGAIL@AOL.COM or fax to 206-431-3939 Attention Gail Mumma.

### ARNP/CNMs, Reproductive Health

Planned Parenthood of Western Washington has built a reputation for the highest standards in reproductive healthcare, and advocate for Choice. PPWW is recruiting for candidates who share our pursuit of professionalism and support of the Mission.

We are seeking ARNP's to provide quality patient care to compliment our reproductive healthcare team. We have several opportunities available: FT/Federal Way, FT/Tacoma, and PT & FT float positions!. Must have current WA State RN & ARNP (WHNP, FNP, Adult NP, or CNM) licenses, prescriptive authority, and 1+ yr women's health care experience preferred.

To apply, fax your cvr ltr/resume to (206) 328-6818. Email jobs@ppww.org, or mail to PPWW/HR, 2001 E. Madison, Seattle, WA 98122. Call toll-free Jobline 1-866-PPWW-JOB.

PPWW offers a solid benefit package. www.ppww.org. EOE.

### ARNP Reproductive Health

Seeking ARNP specializing in male and female reproductive health at a busy non-profit Family Planning Clinic, serving the area for over 30 years. Position includes participation in mobile clinics throughout the Northwest, serving isolated minorities. 30-40 hrs/wk, competitive salary DOE, medical, dental, vision, life and disability, 403B.

Resumes to: Family Planning of Clallam County, ATTN: Hu-

man Resources, PO Box 927, Port Angeles, WA 98362.  
Email [fpcc1@familyplanningofcc.org](mailto:fpcc1@familyplanningofcc.org)

**Neurosurgery Nurse Practitioner**

Experienced NP for pvt Edmonds Neurosurgery practice. Temporary, part time (hrs negotiable) position (with possibility of becoming permanent) Seeing pts for evaluation, post op care, phone triage, medication mgnt Must have interest in chronic pain. Please fax resume to: 425-774-7811

**CE Opportunities**

**Seventh Annual Cardiac Whistler Conference**

**Date:** June 26-28, 2003 • **Description:** Delta Whistler Resort, Whistler, BC 13.8 CEARP Hours -Registration Fee \$275 Registration Fee includes: Thursday afternoon opening reception (for entire family), breakfast on both Friday and Saturday. For a brochure contact [KHezel@Providence.org](mailto:KHezel@Providence.org) or call 425.261.3691.

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**Healthy Humor**

**Q:** Did you hear about the guy who always wanted to be a procrastinator?

**A:** He never got around to it.

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