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Mary Jane Pieteron, MS, RN  
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Maryland State Board of Nursing  
4140 Patterson Avenue  
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Dear Ms Pieteron:

As per our conversation I am submitting the Post Masters PNP Plan of Study to the Board for review. Our current Advanced Practice Pediatric Nursing program (blended CNS/PNP) which was approved by the Board in May 1994 has received an influx of post masters applicants. We would like to propose a program for them that mirrors the graduate program, but takes into account their research skills, nursing graduate preparation, practice experience, and health care knowledge.

We are not offering new courses to these post masters students. Our program would require the same essential elements for all students, but removes Core courses and thesis/non-thesis credits. Prerequisites for admission include the regular graduate admissions requirements (undergraduate course in physical assessment and human development), a Master's degree in Nursing, plus a recent Pathophysiology course (within the last 5 years).

Since our graduate program offers three emphasis areas (Urban/rural health, school-based services or tertiary settings) for advanced practice pediatrics, post masters students could also select an emphasis area at the appropriate juncture.

Enclosed is a program of study for the post masters (25-27 credits), a program of study for the degree seeking student to demonstrate that only approved courses are in the post masters plan, and the breakdown of didactic and clinical hours for supervision.

I look forward to presenting the program to the Board and responding to any questions or suggestions.

*Approved Unanimous  
Vote Maryland  
Board of Nursing  
5/28/96*

Sincerely,  
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Eileen O'Brien, PhD, RN  
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**Post Masters PNP Plan of Study  
Advanced Practice Pediatric Nursing Graduate Program**

**Prerequisite:** Regular graduate admission requirements plus  
Masters in Nursing  
Graduate Pathophysiology (within the last 5 years)

School Based or Community Urban/Rural emphasis areas\*

Spring	N743 (2)	Pharmacology
Summer	N611 (3)	Advanced Physical Assessment
Fall	N710 (3) N713 (3) N648 (1)	Health supervision of the well child (0-10 years) Common Health Problems (0-10 years) Special Problems of Children
January	N648 (2)	Special Problems of Children
Spring	N711 (3) N714 (3) N715 (5)	Health Supervision of the Well Adolescent Common Health Problems in Adolescents Advanced Primary Care

**25 credits**

or Tertiary emphasis\*\*

Spring	N743 (2)	Pharmacology
Summer	N611 (3)	Advanced Physical Assessment
Fall	N710 (3) N713 (3)	Health Supervision of the Well Child (0-10 years) Common Health Problems (0-10 years)
Spring	N711 (3) N714 (3)	Health Supervision of the Well Adolescent Common Health Problems in Adolescents
Summer	N643 (3)	Advanced Nursing of Children 1
Fall	N645 (5) N646 (2)	Advanced Nursing of Children 2 Advanced Practice Role

**27 Credits**

\*Meets certification requirements for NCB.PNPN and ANCC

\*\*Meets certification for ANCC only



## SPECIALIZATION

## ADVANCED PRACTICE

## PEDIATRIC NURSING

*A blended Pediatric CNS/PNP program.*

*Emphasis Areas: School-Based, Community*

*Urban/Rural & Tertiary*

### Core Courses

Course	Title	Credit
NURS 602	Critical Approaches to Nursing Theories	3
NURS 606	Influential Forces in Nursing and Health Care	3
NURS 701	Nursing Research Designs and Analysis I	3
NURS 702	Nursing Research Designs and Analysis II	3

**Credits — 12**

### Courses to be Taken Prior to Clinical Progression

Course	Title	Credit
NURS 611	Introduction to Primary Care Nursing	3
NPHY 630	Pediatric and Neonatal Physiology	3
NURS 743	Pediatric and Neonatal Pharmacology	2

**Credits — 8**

\* Students interested in the 6 credit Thesis option NURS 799, will need an additional 3 credits in their curriculum plan.

<sup>1</sup> *Thesis/Non-Thesis Option* Thesis (6 credits) or Non-Thesis (3 credits scholarly paper)

<sup>2</sup> NURS 608 Non-Thesis option or NURS 799 Thesis usually done the last semester or throughout last two semesters

<sup>3</sup> core courses required for all masters students and open to CWO students

## Clinical Progression Courses

### Semester I

Course	Title	Credit
NURS 710	Health Supervision of the Well Child I	3
NURS 713	Common Health Problems of Children I	3
	Core Courses <sup>3</sup>	3-6

### Semester II

Course	Title	Credit
NURS 711	Health Supervision of the Well Child II	3
NURS 714	Common Health Problems of Children II	3
	Core Courses <sup>3</sup>	3-6
NURS 608/799	*Thesis/Non-Thesis Option <sup>1,2</sup>	1-3

## SCHOOL-BASED EMPHASIS

### Semester III

Course	Title	Credit
NURS 715	Advanced Primary Care Nursing	5
NURS 648	Clinical Elective	1-3
	Core Courses <sup>3</sup>	3-6
NURS 608/799	*Thesis/Non-Thesis Option <sup>1,2</sup>	1-3

## COMMUNITY URBAN/RURAL EMPHASIS

### Semester III

Course	Title	Credit
NURS 715	Advanced Primary Care Nursing	5
NURS 648	Clinical Elective	1-3
	Core Courses <sup>3</sup>	3-6
NURS 608/799	*Thesis/Non-Thesis Option <sup>1,2</sup>	1-3

## TERTIARY EMPHASIS

### Summer Term

Course	Title	Credit
NURS 643	Advanced Nursing of Children I	3

### Semester III

Course	Title	Credit
NURS 645	Advanced Nursing of Children II	5
NURS 646	Advanced Practice Role	2
	Core Courses <sup>3</sup>	3-6
NURS 608	*Thesis/Non-Thesis Option <sup>1,2</sup>	1-3
	OR	
NURS 799	*Master's Thesis Research	3-6

**Total Credits — 43-45**

**Advanced Practice Pediatric Nursing Program  
Post Masters PNP Certificate Program**

**Post Masters PNP School-based or Community Urban/Rural Emphasis Areas**

<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Didactic Hours per week</b>	<b>Clinical Hours Total for semester</b>
N743	2	2	0
N611	3	2	45
N710	3	2	50
N713	3	2	45
N711	3	2	45
N714	3	2	45
N715	5	2	135
N648	3	0	135

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Total = 25 credits

Total Clinical hours in School-based/Community emphasis track 500 hrs

**Post Masters PNP Tertiary-based**

<b>Course Number</b>	<b>Credits</b>	<b>Didactic Hours per week</b>	<b>Clinical Hours Total for semester</b>
N743	2	2	0
N611	3	2	45
N710	3	2	50
N713	3	2	45
N711	3	2	45
N714	3	2	45
N643	3	2	45
N645	5	0	225
N646	2	2	0

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Total = 27 Credits

Total clinical hours in Tertiary Emphasis track 500 hrs