

JENNIFER DEESE, MSN, APRN, PNP-PC, IBCLC

■■ QUALIFICATIONS SUMMARY

Versatile and enthusiastic Certified Pediatric Nurse Practitioner, offering accomplished qualifications in neonatal and pediatric settings, honed through extensive education in all facets of pediatric healthcare. Equipped with a comprehensive background in nursing and public health. Highly motivated and proactive in maintaining the highest level of practice while ensuring safe patient care environments. Known for exceptional planning, prioritization, and goal-setting skills while contributing to the achievement of positive family outcomes in addition to meeting the vision and expectations of the nursing profession. A compassionate caregiver with a sincere interest in individual health and well-being. Proficient in EPIC and Cerner documentation systems.

■■ CORE COMPETENCIES

**Nursing Education
Leadership
Pediatric Care
Patient & Family Relationships**

**Strategic Planning
Regulatory Compliance
Health Record Management
Conflict Resolution**

■■ PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

Northeastern University • Charlotte, NC
Bouve College of Health Sciences
School of Nursing

⇒ **ASSISTANT CLINICAL PROFESSOR, CLINICAL INSTRUCTOR, AND PEDIATRIC CLINICAL COORDINATOR** 2022–Present

Faculty for pediatric theory and clinical course in ABSN program. Provides effective education and evaluation for nursing students. Collaborates with faculty leadership and staff to ensure an optimal, safe learning environment. Coordinates clinical schedules, site visits clinical, and work with clinical staff to ensure positive, educational student experiences. Faculty adviser for Charlotte NSNA chapter.

Pediatrix Medical Group • Charlotte, NC
Novant Health Presbyterian Medical Center
Novant Health Huntersville Medical Center
Novant Health Matthews Medical Center
Novant Health Mint Hill Medical Center

⇒ **PRACTICE COORDINATOR AND PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER** 2014–Present

Coordinator of the newborn service advance practice provider group. Proficient in the management of a large APRN newborn service covering four hospitals. Actively involved with leadership and policy development. Oversee new hire orientation and education to the role. Expert provider in the care of newborns and infants in newborn and special care nurseries. Performs physical exams, diagnosis of congenital anomalies, and provide treatments for infants with hyperbilirubinemia, ABO incompatibility, Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome, cardiac and respiratory diagnosis, and multiple additional newborn diagnoses. Exceptional problem solver and critical thinker utilizing decision-making skills with the ability to work well under pressure. Preceptor and educator for medical students, physician residents, and APRN students and APRN's.

Accomplishments:

- Instrumental in the Novant Health Matthew's Medical Center and Novant Health Mint Hill Medical Center achievement of the Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative Accreditation.
- Member of Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome Steering Committee.

- Member of the Exclusive Breastfeeding Committee.
- Member of the Patient Length of Stay Hospital Task Force.
- Member of the Newborn Policy and Development Committee.
- Member of the Women and Children's Institute Committee.
- Member of the Clinical Management Committee.

Queen's University • Charlotte, NC

School of Nursing

⇒ **PART-TIME CLINICAL FACULTY**

2017-2018

Faculty in Maternity clinical course in ABSN program. Provided efficient education and evaluation of clinical education of nursing students. Collaborates with faculty leadership and staff to ensure an optimal, safe learning environment.

Novant Health • Charlotte, NC

Center for Child and Adolescent Medicine

⇒ **PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER AND LACTATION CONSULTANT**

2013-2021

Proficient in the management and care of patients from Newborns to 21-years evaluated during acute, well child, and lactation consult visits. Performed physical exams, diagnosed injuries and illnesses, and provided treatment procedures, therapies, and medication necessary for the pediatric population.

Accomplishments:

- Leveraged pediatric physical assessment process, including interviews, assessments, diagnoses, and treatment in a fast-paced primary care setting.
- Monitored physical growth, motor skills, cognitive, and social developmental changes and coordinated treatments and referrals as appropriate.
- Functions independently as an advance practice registered nurse practitioner in outpatient office.
- Provided education to families and APRN students in the clinical setting.
- Preceptor for APRN students.

The Children's Clinic • Lancaster, SC

⇒ **PEDIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONER AND LACTATION CONSULTANT**

2011- 2013

Proficient in the management and care of patients from Newborns to 21-years evaluated during acute, well child, and lactation consult visits. Performed physical exams, diagnosed injuries and illnesses, and provided treatment procedures, therapies, and medication necessary for the child.

Accomplishments:

- Leveraged pediatric physical assessment process, including interviews, assessments, diagnoses, and treatment in a fast-paced primary care setting.
- Monitored physical growth, motor skills, cognitive, and social developmental changes and coordinated treatments and referrals as appropriate.
- Functions independently as an advance practice registered nurse practitioner in satellite office.

Levine Children's Hospital at Atrium Health • Charlotte, NC

⇒ **NURSE EDUCATOR, REGISTERED NURSE, AND LACTATION CONSULTANT, Neonatal ICU**

1998-2011

- Provided direct nursing care for critically ill neonates, ranging from 23 weeks old and above, in a 63-bed level-4 tertiary neonatal ICU. Involved in Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative Accreditation.
- Developed grants and received approval for bedside breast pumps.
- Chaired the Exclusive Breastfeeding Committee.
- Active in Novant Health Committees and staff development initiatives.
- Assisted with mother-Baby policy development.
- Worked jointly as the Nurse Educator at Atrium Health-Union assisted with the development of a level III Neonatal ICU.

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- Worked as the first Lactation Consultant in the Neonatal Intensive Care Nursery and Neonatal Progressive Care Nursery at Levine Children's Hospital.
- Responsible for developing a breastfeeding friendly environment.
- Provided patient and staff education related to breast milk and breastfeeding.
- Strove daily to increase the rate of initiation of breastfeeding for all NICU infants.
- Educated clinical staff to establish and maintain an adequate maintain milk supply.
- Assisted with early transition to the breast by performing breastfeeding assessments and developing breastfeeding plans at discharge.

Accomplishments:

- Instrumental in the facility's achievement of the Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative Accreditation.
- Wrote grants for and awarded bedside breast pumps.
- Assisted with research for the post-neonatal follow-up clinic.
- Simultaneously and effectively performed various duties, which includes assisted in all high-risk deliveries, responded to assessment and concerns, and served as the advocate for neonate and family.
- Led the stabilization of neonates after brought to ICU.
- Provided expert oversight to vented, CPAP, nasal cannula patients, drew labs, and started IVs.
- NRP instructor and member of High-Risk Delivery Team
- Facilitated newborn assessment classes along with a newborn complications class designed for new and existing staff; and participated in institute committees as well as staff development initiative.
- Increased rate of initiation of breastfeeding to nearly 100 percent for extremely low birth weight infants.
- Increased staff knowledge of breastfeeding and facilitated a change in culture to one that is breastfeeding friendly.
- Advocated for infants and their families.

■■ EDUCATION AND CREDENTIALS

DOCTOR OF NURSING PRACTICE STUDENT (DNP)
PROJECTED GRADUATION MAY 2025
Missouri State University ▪ Springfield, MO
Current Cumulative GPA of 4.0

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN): 2010
University of South Alabama ▪ Mobile, AL
Cumulative GPA of 3.70

Lactation Consultant (IBCLC): 2005
Lactation Education Consultants, Chicago, IL

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSN): 1997
University of South Carolina ▪ Columbia, SC
Cumulative GPA of 3.76

Certifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ International Board-Certified Lactation Consultant, (IBCLC) ▫ Certified Pediatric Nurse Practitioner- Primary Care, Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Certification Board (PNCB) ▫ Neonatal Resuscitation Provider and Instructor ▫ Basic Life Support Certification ▫ STABLE Certification ▫ STABLE Cardiac Certification ▫ PICC Line Insertion Certification ▫ Pediatric Advanced Life Support Certification
Licensures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Registered Nursing License, State of North Carolina ▫ Present Advanced Practice Nursing License, State of North Carolina ▫ Present Registered Nursing License, State of South Carolina ▫ Present Advanced Practice Nursing License, State of South Carolina

■ ■ PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners
National Association of Neonatal Nurses
Sigma Theta Tau
The International Lactation Consultant Association
National Association Nursing Students-Faculty Advisor

■ ■ PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Baby-Friendly Hospital Initiative Accreditation Committee member
- Chair of the scheduling committee for newborn advance practice provider group
- Coordinator of the newborn service advance practice provider group
- Member of Neonatal Opioid Withdrawal Syndrome Steering Committee
- Member of the Exclusive Breastfeeding Committee
- Member of the Length of Stay Hospital Task Force
- Member of the Policy and Development Committee
- Member of the Women and Children’s Institute Committee
- Preceptor for medical students
- Preceptor for physician residents
- Preceptor for advanced practice provider students
- Clinical faculty member for Queens University and Northeastern University
- Member of the American Academy of Pediatric Committee on Use of Phototherapy with Novant Health
- Faculty Advisor for Charlotte NSNA Chapter

■ ■ VOLUNTEER SERVICE

- Crisis Pregnancy Center Volunteer
- Grace Works Alaska Volunteer
- Fond Blanc Foundation Partner
- Fond Blanc Haiti Orphanage Volunteer
- Fontamara Haiti Orphanage Volunteer

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- Lancaster Children's Home Volunteer
- Night To Shine Volunteer
- Real Hope for Haiti Clinic Volunteer
- Spring Hill Baptist Church Missions Outreach Coordinator
- Spring Hill Baptist Church Mission Friends Instructor
- Spring Hill Baptist Vacation Bible School Instructor
- The Connection Volunteer
- Host Family for Haitian Refugee attending Community College in the United States
- Autism Speaks Volunteer
- 24 Foundation Volunteer