



What can Nurse Practitioners do?

Nurse Practitioners can:

- autonomously diagnose and treat illnesses;
- perform comprehensive physicals (check-ups), and take care of illnesses;
- treat your acute or chronic condition;
- order blood work, x-rays and other diagnostic tests;
- screen for health problems;
- manage chronic diseases like asthma, diabetes, hypertension and high cholesterol;
- monitor the health of babies, children, adults, and the elderly, and treat their illnesses should they get sick;
- take care of patients in nursing homes, or in specialty clinics;
- prescribe medications;
- refer you to specialists for consultation.

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