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Who are the Nurse Practitioners at MNHC?

All of the Nurse Practitioners at MNHC are registered nurses with graduate degrees in nursing. Nurse Practitioners are licensed by the State to function independently. We work collaboratively with other health care professionals to provide the best possible care.

The Nurse Practitioners provide a wide range of primary health care services to children, adults and families at the center, with a focus on the person rather than the disease. They are qualified to handle a wide range of health problems .

Why see a Nurse Practitioner at MNHC for your health care?

According to the Wisconsin Nurses Association:

- Nurse Practitioners safely provide up to 90% of primary care needed by children and 80% of primary care needed by adults.
- Nurse Practitioners make appropriate referrals when necessary.
- The quality of care provided by Nurse Practitioners is the same high level as that of doctors based on physical exams, prescriptions, patient education, and improvement in patients' physical, emotional, and social health.
- Many people express a preference for Nurse Practitioners because of their enhanced communication, counseling, and interviewing skills as well as more complete exams.

Services provided by Nurse Practitioners at MNHC

- Complete health history and physical exam
 - Health checks for children
 - School physicals
 - Sports physicals
 - Annual exams for adolescents and adults
- Order and interpret diagnostic studies such as
 - Lab work
 - X-rays
 - EKGs.
- Prescribe medications and other therapies.
- Diagnose, treat and monitor common acute and chronic health care problems, such as:
 - Sore throats
 - Infections

- High blood pressure
- Diabetes
- Asthma
- Minor burns, sprains and strains (that do not require an emergency room visit)
- Conduct health screening procedures such as:
 - Pap smears
 - Breast exams
 - Well child exams
 - School / sports physical exams
 - Employment physicals
- Provide health education and counseling to improve and maintain fitness through services such as:
 - Nutrition
 - Exercise
 - Lifestyle changes
 - Stress management
 - Smoking cessation
- Provide follow-up and referral to other health care providers and specialists as needed.

Qualifications of a Nurse Practitioner in Wisconsin:

- Registered Nurse (RN) with an advanced degree
- Graduated from an accredited educational program
- Demonstrated core competencies of the profession
- Passed the national certification exam
- Two licenses in Wisconsin
 - Registered Nurse (RN)
 - Advanced Practice Nurse Prescriber (APNP), with full authority to write prescriptions
- Eligible for third party reimbursement through many private insurance plans, Medicaid, and Medicare

Resources

Wisconsin Nurses Association <http://www.wisconsinnurses.org>

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