

Vivian Caldwell

Entry-Level Family Nurse Practitioner

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- Board-certified Family Nurse Practitioner with 780+ clinical hours across primary care, urgent care, and community health settings, complemented by 6 years of progressive RN experience in medical-surgical and cardiac step-down units.
- Independently managed panels of 12–18 patients daily during final practicum, performing comprehensive assessments, developing differential diagnoses, prescribing medications, and coordinating chronic disease management plans for diverse adult and pediatric populations.
- Recognized for strong clinical reasoning and collaborative practice style, with demonstrated ability to identify subtle changes in patient status, consult effectively with interdisciplinary teams, and implement evidence-based interventions that improved patient outcomes.
- Eager to contribute advanced practice skills within a mentorship-oriented primary care environment while continuing to grow as an autonomous provider committed to patient-centered, whole-person care.

EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing, Philadelphia, PA

May 2024

Master of Science in Nursing — Family Nurse Practitioner

- GPA: 3.87/4.0
- Clinical Hours: 780+ hours across primary care, urgent care, and community health settings
- Concentration: Chronic Disease Management in Underserved Populations

Villanova University, Villanova, PA

May 2018

Bachelor of Science in Nursing

- Graduated Magna Cum Laude | GPA: 3.72/4.0

CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSURE

Board Certified Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP-BC)

August 2024

American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

State Licensure: Pennsylvania CRNP License #NP-98321 (Active)

Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing

NPI Number: 1234567890

CMS

DEA Registration: Pending

Drug Enforcement Administration

Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS)

Current through 2026

American Heart Association

Basic Life Support (BLS)

Current through 2026

American Heart Association

Suturing and Wound Closure Workshop

March 2024

Penn Medicine Simulation Center

Certificate in Diabetes Management and Education

January 2024

American Association of Nurse Practitioners

CLINICAL ROTATIONS

Family Practice — Primary Care Practicum

January 2024 – May 2024

Riverside Community Health Center, Philadelphia, PA | 300 Clinical Hours

- Independently managed a daily panel of 12–18 patients across the lifespan, conducting comprehensive history and physical examinations, formulating differential diagnoses, and developing treatment plans for acute and chronic conditions including hypertension, type 2 diabetes, asthma, and depression.
- Prescribed and managed pharmacologic therapies under minimal supervision, including antihypertensives, oral hypoglycemics, SSRIs, and inhaled corticosteroids, while monitoring for adverse effects and therapeutic response.
- Performed procedures including suturing of simple lacerations, incision and drainage of abscesses, joint injections, and removal of skin lesions, documenting all encounters in eClinicalWorks EMR.
- Conducted 45+ Medicare Annual Wellness Visits, completing health risk assessments, medication reconciliation, and preventive care screenings with appropriate referral coordination.
- Collaborated with physicians, social workers, and behavioral health specialists to address social determinants of health for a predominantly underserved, Medicaid-eligible patient population.

Adult-Gerontology — Internal Medicine Rotation

August 2023 – December 2023

Penn Medicine Internal Medicine Associates, Philadelphia, PA | 280 Clinical Hours

- Evaluated and managed complex adult and geriatric patients with multiple comorbidities including congestive heart failure, COPD, chronic kidney disease, and atrial fibrillation under physician preceptorship.
- Interpreted diagnostic studies including ECGs, chest radiographs, and laboratory panels to guide clinical decision-making and adjust treatment plans accordingly.
- Initiated and titrated anticoagulation therapy, monitored INR values, and educated patients on medication adherence and lifestyle modifications, contributing to a 15% improvement in INR time-in-therapeutic-range among assigned patients.
- Presented complex cases during weekly interdisciplinary rounds, demonstrating differential diagnosis reasoning and evidence-based treatment rationale to attending physicians and resident teams.

Pediatrics — Outpatient Pediatric Rotation

May 2023 – July 2023

Children's Primary Care of Greater Philadelphia, Bryn Mawr, PA | 200 Clinical Hours

- Performed well-child examinations from newborn through adolescence, assessing developmental milestones, administering immunizations per CDC schedule, and providing anticipatory guidance to parents and caregivers.
- Diagnosed and managed common pediatric conditions including otitis media, streptococcal pharyngitis, eczema, and ADHD, selecting age-appropriate pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic interventions.
- Screened adolescent patients for depression and anxiety using PHQ-A and GAD-7 tools, initiating referrals to behavioral health services when indicated.

REGISTERED NURSE EXPERIENCE

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital, Philadelphia, PA

June 2020 – August 2022

Registered Nurse — Cardiac Step-Down Unit

- Provided advanced cardiac monitoring and assessment for up to 5 acutely ill patients per shift, including post-

catheterization, post-CABG, and acute coronary syndrome patients, recognizing and escalating subtle hemodynamic changes that led to early interventions and prevented ICU transfers on multiple occasions.

- Collaborated closely with cardiology attendings, fellows, and NPs during daily interdisciplinary rounds, contributing clinical observations and recommending medication adjustments that were frequently adopted into care plans.
- Served as unit preceptor for 4 newly hired RNs, developing individualized orientation plans and mentoring clinical reasoning skills during complex patient scenarios.
- Led a unit-based quality improvement initiative to standardize heart failure discharge education, resulting in a 22% reduction in 30-day readmission rates over a 6-month period.

Lankenau Medical Center, Wynnewood, PA

July 2018 – May 2020

Registered Nurse — Medical-Surgical Unit

- Managed care for 5–6 patients per shift with diverse diagnoses including post-operative recovery, pneumonia, diabetic ketoacidosis, and sepsis, performing comprehensive head-to-toe assessments and prioritizing interventions based on clinical acuity.
- Coordinated discharge planning with case managers, physical therapists, and home health agencies, ensuring continuity of care and patient understanding of follow-up requirements and medication regimens.
- Identified a recurring pattern of missed early sepsis indicators during shift handoffs and proposed a standardized SBAR-based sepsis screening checklist, which was adopted unit-wide and contributed to earlier recognition and treatment initiation.
- Maintained consistent patient satisfaction scores above the 90th percentile through therapeutic communication, culturally sensitive care, and thorough patient and family education.

SCHOLARLY WORK

Reducing Emergency Department Utilization Through Nurse Practitioner-Led Chronic Disease Management in Federally Qualified Health Centers

May 2024

University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing — Capstone Project

- Designed and implemented a 12-week NP-led care coordination protocol for 35 high-utilizer patients with uncontrolled diabetes and hypertension at a Philadelphia FQHC, incorporating telehealth follow-ups, motivational interviewing, and medication therapy management.
- Achieved a 28% reduction in non-emergent ED visits among the study cohort and an average HbA1c decrease of 0.9% over the intervention period.
- Presented findings at the Pennsylvania Coalition of Nurse Practitioners Annual Conference, October 2024.
- Poster presentation at University of Pennsylvania School of Nursing Research Symposium, May 2024.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Excellence in Clinical Practice Award

Spring 2024

Riverside Community Health Center

Recognized by clinical preceptor for outstanding patient rapport, diagnostic accuracy, and autonomous practice readiness

Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing, Xi Chapter

2023

Sigma Theta Tau International

Inducted 2023, recognizing top 35% of nursing graduate students demonstrating commitment to scholarship and clinical excellence

Jonas Nurse Leaders Scholar

2022–2024

Jonas Philanthropies

Awarded \$10,000 merit-based scholarship for demonstrated leadership potential in advanced nursing practice

Magna Cum Laude

May 2018

Villanova University BSN Program

DAISY Award for Extraordinary Nurses

2021

Thomas Jefferson University Hospital

Nominated by patient family for compassionate cardiac care

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Clinical and Diagnostic Skills

- Comprehensive health assessment and physical examination across the lifespan
- Differential diagnosis formulation and clinical decision-making
- Pharmacologic prescribing and medication management
- Chronic disease management (diabetes, hypertension, heart failure, COPD, asthma)
- Interpretation of ECGs, laboratory panels, and diagnostic imaging
- Procedures: suturing, incision and drainage, joint injections, skin lesion removal, splinting
- Preventive care and wellness screenings (Medicare AWV, immunizations, cancer screenings)
- Mental health screening and initial management (PHQ-9, GAD-7, Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale)

Clinical Systems and Technology

- Electronic Medical Records: Epic, eClinicalWorks, Cerner
- Telehealth platforms: Doxy.me, Zoom for Healthcare
- Clinical decision support tools: UpToDate, Epocrates, DynaMed

Professional Competencies

- Interdisciplinary collaboration and consultation
- Evidence-based practice and quality improvement
- Patient education and motivational interviewing
- Cultural competency and health equity advocacy
- Clinical precepting and staff mentorship

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)

2022 – Present

Student Member 2022, Full Member 2024

Pennsylvania Coalition of Nurse Practitioners (PCNP)

2023 – Present

Member since 2023

Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing

2023 – Present

Active Member since 2023