

Application for Clinical Privileges
Allied Health Professional
Specialty: Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)

Qualifications

To be eligible to apply for core clinical privileges as a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP), the initial applicant must meet the following criteria

Successful completion of a master's or post-master's degree from a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program accredited by the Commission on the Collegiate of Nursing Education (CCNE) or the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC)

and / or

Current certification as a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) by the American Nurses Credentialing Center or an equivalent body or be actively seeking certification and obtain the same on the first examination for which he or she is eligible

and

Current active licensure to practice as an advanced practice nurse in the State of Texas

Required previous experience

Applicants for initial appointment must be able to demonstrate current competence and provision of care, reflective of the scope of privileges requested or demonstrate successful completion of an accredited Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) program within the past 12 months.

Reappointment requirements

To be eligible to renew core privileges as a Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP), the applicant must have current demonstrated competency and quality, reflective of the scope of privileges requested, for the past 24 months based on results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes. Evidence of current ability to perform privileges requested is required of all applicants for renewal of privileges.

Collaborating Physician

The exercise of approved clinical privileges requires a designated collaborating physician with clinical privileges at Lone Star Circle of Care in the same area of specialty practice. All practice is performed under the supervision of this physician or alternate designee and in accordance with approved written policies and protocols. The original signed delegation agreement will be maintained in the advanced practice nurse's credentialing file. A copy of the delegation agreement and delegation assignments are available at each clinic.

Directions

Applicant

Check off the "Requested" box for each privilege requested. Applicants have the burden of producing information deemed adequate by Lone Star Circle of Care for a proper evaluation of current competence, current clinical activity, and other qualifications and for resolving any doubts related to qualifications for requested privileges.

Family Practice Medical Director

Check the appropriate box for recommendation on the last page of this form. If recommended with conditions or not recommended, provide condition or explanation on the last page of this form.

Other Requirements

Note that privileges granted may only be exercised at the site(s) and setting(s) that have the appropriate equipment, license, staff, and other support required to provide the services defined in this document. Site-specific services may be defined in Lone Star Circle of Care policy.

This document is focused on defining qualifications related to competency to exercise clinical privileges. The applicant must also adhere to any additional organizational, regulatory, or accreditation requirements that the organization is obligated to meet.

Applicant

Privileges

- Initial Appointment
- Reappointment

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Effective to: _____ / _____ / _____

Sites

The applicant may perform granted privileges at any of the Community Health Center clinics, incorporated as Lone Star Circle of Care, with the provision that privileges only be exercised when appropriate equipment, license, staff, and other support are available.

Core Privileges

Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) Core Privileges

- Requested**

Provide care, treatment, and services consistent with family practice, including the performance of physical exams, diagnosing conditions, the development of treatment plans, health counseling, and prescribing medications for patients within the age group of patients seen by the collaborating/supervising physician. Assess, stabilize, and determine the disposition of patients with emergent conditions consistent with policy regarding emergencies. The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures on the attached procedure list and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills.

Pediatric Core Privileges

- **Criteria**

Must qualify for and be granted privileges in family medicine plus

- **Required previous experience**

Demonstrated current competence and evidence of the provision of care, reflective of the scope of privileges requested, to at least 10 pediatric patients in the past 12 months.

- **Maintenance of privilege**

Demonstrated current competence and evidence of the provision of care to at least 25 pediatric patients in the past 24 months based on results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes.

- Requested**

Provide care, treatment, and services consistent with pediatric practice, including the performance of physical exams, diagnosing conditions, the development of treatment plans, health counseling, and prescribing medications for patients within the age group of patients seen by the collaborating/supervising physician. Assess, stabilize, and determine the disposition of patients with emergent conditions consistent with policy regarding emergencies. The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures on the attached procedure list and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills.

Women's Health Core Privileges

- **Criteria**

Must qualify for and be granted privileges in family medicine plus

- **Required previous experience**

Demonstrated current competence and evidence of the provision of care, reflective of the scope of privileges requested, to at least 10 women's health patients in the past 12 months.

- **Maintenance of privilege**

Demonstrated current competence and evidence of the provision of care to at least 25 women's health patients in the past 24 months based on results of ongoing professional practice evaluation and outcomes.

- Requested**

Provide care, treatment and services consistent with the practice of women's health including the performance of physical exams, diagnosing conditions, the development of treatment plans, health counseling, and prescribing medications for female patients within the age group of patients seen by the collaborating/supervising physician. Assess, stabilize, and determine the disposition of patients with emergent conditions consistent with policy regarding emergencies. The core privileges in this specialty include the procedures on the attached procedure list and such other procedures that are extensions of the same techniques and skills.

Special Non-Core Privileges

If desired, noncore privileges are requested individually in addition to requesting the core. Each individual requesting noncore privileges must meet the specific threshold criteria governing the exercise of the privilege requested including training, required previous experience, and for maintenance of clinical competence.

Prescriptive Authority – Dangerous Drugs

- Requested**

As delegated by a physician in a collaborative practice agreement in accordance with state and federal laws, the delegation to the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) to administer or dispense drugs shall include the prescribing of dangerous drugs. Requires Prescriptive Authorization as granted by the Texas State Nursing Board.

Prescriptive Authority – Controlled Substances

- Requested**

As delegated by a physician in a collaborative practice agreement in accordance with state and federal laws, the delegation to the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) to administer or dispense drugs shall include the prescribing of controlled substances. Requires Prescriptive Authorization as granted by the Texas State Nursing Board in addition to individual DPS and DEA registration numbers (certificates).

Core Procedure List

*This list is a sampling of procedures included in the core. This is not intended to be an all-encompassing list but rather reflective of the categories/types of procedures included in the core. **If you wish to exclude any procedures, please strike through those procedures that you do not wish to request, initial, and date.***

General

1. Advocate for the patient
2. Apply, remove, and change dressings and bandages
3. Assess, diagnose, and treat illnesses, including chronic and acute conditions, or any other condition that is within the expertise and knowledge of the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)
4. Consult and collaborate with other healthcare providers as necessary
5. Perform wound debridement and general care for superficial wounds and minor superficial surgical procedures
6. Direct care as specified by approved protocols
7. Counsel and instruct patients and significant others as appropriate
8. Formulate a holistic, culturally sensitive, patient-centered plan of care in collaboration with the patient
9. Initiate referral to appropriate physician or other healthcare professional of problems that exceed the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)'s scope of practice
10. Monitor and manage stable acute and chronic illnesses of the population served
11. Monitor and evaluate accuracy of diagnoses and effectiveness of prescribed treatment plans
12. Obtain and record medical/social history and perform physical examinations including rectal and pelvic examinations as indicated
13. Order diagnostic testing and therapeutic modalities such as laboratory tests, medications, treatments, X-ray, EKG, etc.
14. Perform incision and drainage of superficial abscesses
15. Perform venous punctures for blood sampling, cultures, and IV catheterization
16. Provide appropriate education regarding purpose, regimens, side effects, possible interactions of medications and/or treatments, costs, and alternative treatments or procedures
17. Provide for appropriate follow-up care
18. Record progress notes
19. Blood Glucose Point of Care Testing
20. Hemoglobin A1c Point of Care Testing
21. Influenza Point of Care Testing
22. Mononucleosis Point of Care Testing
23. Pregnancy Point of Care Testing
24. RSV Point of Care Testing
25. Strep A Point of Care Testing
26. Urinalysis Point of Care Testing
27. Fecal Occult Blood Point of Care Testing
28. Pertussis Point of Care Testing

Pediatrics

1. Advocate for children and their families
2. Apply, remove, and change dressings and bandages
3. Assess, diagnose, and treat childhood illnesses, including chronic and acute conditions, or any other condition that is within the expertise and knowledge of the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)
4. Consult and collaborate with other healthcare providers as necessary
5. Perform wound debridement and general care for superficial wounds and minor superficial surgical procedures
6. Direct care as specified by approved protocols
7. Formulate a holistic, culturally sensitive, family-centered plan of care in collaboration with the patient and family
8. Initiate referral to appropriate physician or other healthcare professional of problems that exceed the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)'s scope of practice
9. Monitor and evaluate accuracy of diagnoses and effectiveness of prescribed treatment plans, growth, and development
10. Monitor child and family response to treatments
11. Obtain and record medical/social history and perform physical examinations including rectal and pelvic examinations as indicated

12. Order diagnostic testing and therapeutic modalities such as laboratory tests, medications, treatments, X-ray, EKG, etc.
13. Perform incision and drainage of superficial abscesses
14. Perform routine immunizations
15. Perform venous punctures for blood sampling, cultures, and IV catheterization
16. Provide appropriate child and family education regarding purpose, regimens, side effects, possible interactions of medications and/or treatments, costs, and alternative treatments or procedures
17. Provide for appropriate follow-up care
18. Record progress notes
19. Blood Glucose Point of Care Testing
20. Hemoglobin A1c Point of Care Testing
21. Influenza Point of Care Testing
22. Mononucleosis Point of Care Testing
23. Pregnancy Point of Care Testing
24. RSV Point of Care Testing
25. Strep A Point of Care Testing
26. Urinalysis Point of Care Testing
27. Fecal Occult Blood Point of Care Testing
28. Pertussis Point of Care Testing

Women's Health

1. Apply, remove, and change dressings and bandages
2. Provide contraceptive care
3. Counsel and instruct patients and significant others as appropriate
4. Perform wound debridement and general care for superficial wounds and minor superficial surgical procedures
5. Direct care as specified by approved protocols
6. Evaluation and treatment of common vaginal infections
7. Health and wellness counseling
8. Initiate referral to appropriate physician or other healthcare professional of problems that exceed the Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP)'s scope of practice
9. Monitor and manage stable acute and chronic illnesses of population served
10. Obtain and record medical/social history and perform physical examinations including rectal and pelvic examinations as indicated
11. Order diagnostic testing and therapeutic modalities such as laboratory tests, medications, treatments, X-ray, EKG, etc.
12. Perform incision and drainage of superficial abscesses
13. Perform physical exams, including rectal exams and Pap smears
14. Perform venous punctures for blood sampling, cultures, and IV catheterization
15. Pregnancy testing and care before, during, and after pregnancy
16. Record progress notes
17. Screen and refer for other health problems including suspected sexual abuse, rape
18. STD screen and follow up
19. Blood Glucose Point of Care Testing
20. Hemoglobin A1c Point of Care Testing
21. Influenza Point of Care Testing
22. Mononucleosis Point of Care Testing
23. Pregnancy Point of Care Testing
24. RSV Point of Care Testing
25. Strep A Point of Care Testing
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Acknowledgement of Practitioner

I have requested only those privileges for which by education, training, current experience, and demonstrated performance I am qualified to perform and that I wish to exercise at designated Lone Star Circle of Care sites, and I understand that:

- a. In exercising any clinical privileges granted, I am constrained by Lone Star Circle of Care policies and rules applicable generally and any applicable to the particular situation.
- b. Any restriction on the clinical privileges granted to me is waived in an emergency situation and in such situation my actions are governed by the applicable section of the appropriate policies or related documents.

Signature

Date

Service Line Medical Director Recommendation

I have reviewed the requested clinical privileges and supporting documentation for the above-named applicant and make the following recommendation(s):

- Recommend all requested privileges
- Recommend requested privileges with the changes as noted below
 - The following privilege(s) are granted with conditions and/or modifications:

	Privilege	Condition/Modification
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____

- The following privilege(s) are not granted:

	Privilege	Explanation
1.	_____	_____
2.	_____	_____
3.	_____	_____
4.	_____	_____
5.	_____	_____

Family Practice Medical Director Signature

Date

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Medical Executive Committee Action: _____ Date: _____

Board of Directors Action: _____ Date: _____