

WHY YOU SHOULD CONSIDER BEING A PEDIATRIC NURSE

PEDIATRIC NURSES



use science to help children & teens be healthy



provide expert care for physical & mental health



have excellent salaries, benefits, and advancement



are in demand for the complex care they deliver



To become a pediatric nurse, complete a nursing diploma, associate's, or bachelor's degree in nursing (bachelor preferred). Pass the national NCLEX exam to become a registered nurse (RN), then apply for RN jobs in pediatric settings. After about 2 years, consider getting board certified in pediatrics.

For advanced practice roles, go on to get a master's or doctoral degree.



More gender and cultural diversity is needed in pediatric nursing. Did you know only about 1 in 10 nurses are male? Even fewer are in pediatrics.



Besides liking kids and being compassionate, pediatric nurses are observant, detail-oriented, and great at clear communication.

4 OF THE MANY CAREER PATHS



Hospital RNs work in many different roles and specialties
Average salary:
\$69K



School nurses have high impact for whole communities
Average salary:
\$63K



Pediatric nurse practitioners have a lot of independence and job satisfaction
Average salary:
\$97K



Pediatric nurses can advance to C-suite leadership positions for health systems
Average salary:
\$200K



In a recent survey, 92% of pediatric nurses said they encourage others to join them in this career because...

It's rewarding to have the opportunity to change the life of a child!



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