Advance Your Career
With the Only Florida-Focused Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Program

Complete coursework primarily online through Thomas Jefferson University with clinical hours at a Nemours site in Florida. Clinical sites include Nemours Children’s Hospital and Nemours collaborating hospitals throughout Central Florida.

Strong Demand for Neonatal Nurse Practitioners
The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics predicts nationwide job growth of 31 percent for neonatal nurse practitioners (NNPs) and other advanced practice nurses over the next seven years. The demand is even higher in Florida.

Nemours Children’s Health System recognized this shortage. NNPs are vital to ensuring the children in our care get the best start in life. That’s why we’re working with Thomas Jefferson University’s College of Nursing to extend their NNP education program into Florida.

Fast-Track Your Career
The Nemours and Jefferson College of Nursing program provides a unique opportunity for nurses in Florida to become advanced-degree neonatal nurse practitioners. You can earn your master’s in as little as two years and start practicing immediately. The master’s degree can include several doctoral level courses, so you can speed up your path to a doctor of nursing practice (DNP) degree as well.

The Role of a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner
NNPs are advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) with graduate-level degrees, specially trained to provide care for newborns and infants. NNPs have a great deal of autonomy in their practice and offer comprehensive care to newborns. Merging traditional medical and nursing roles, an NNP performs a variety of roles, often in the same day, including educator, researcher, manager, leader, consultant and counselor. As such, NNPs greatly assist in elevating the quality and cost-effectiveness of an institution’s care. On a daily basis, NNPs help detect and treat critical, life-threatening conditions, perform resuscitation, manage feeding, and provide family support—especially for premature infants transferred to neonatal intensive care units (NICUs).
The program offers a number of convenient features:

- the flexibility of accessing coursework online from Thomas Jefferson University, with a limited amount of synchronous and on-site requirements
- hands-on mentoring from experienced Nemours practitioners
- the option to choose your clinical work location, depending on student volume and preceptor availability:
  - Nemours Children’s Hospital in Orlando, FL
  - Lakeland Regional Health Medical Center in Lakeland, FL
  - Osceola Regional Medical Center in Kissimmee, FL

Learn From National Leaders in Neonatal Education and Practice

This program is an extension of one of the country’s oldest and most respected neonatal nurse practitioner programs. The didactic coursework is from Thomas Jefferson University, which opened its college of nursing in 1891. Their well-designed course has a pass rate of close to 100 percent. You’ll learn from practitioners who have deep experience and knowledge of the neonatal setting.

Nemours Children’s Health System has nearly 70 locations in five states, making us one of the largest integrated pediatric health systems in the country. Our expert neonatal nurse practitioners staff 15 neonatal facilities in Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Florida, including the NICU at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital.

Your Success Is Our Success

If you work for Nemours, we’ll help pay for your program tuition. If you don’t work for Nemours, you can receive some tuition reimbursement if you begin working for Nemours while enrolled in the program.

We look forward to helping you reach your full potential.

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