



## Post-Graduate Track: Pediatric Comprehensive Cardiac Care

The Pediatric Comprehensive Cardiac Care Postgraduate APP Training Program is a one-year, post-graduate experience designed for nurse practitioners (*PNP-AC, PNP-PC, FNP*) and physician assistants with the cardiology and cardiothoracic surgery team who are currently ranked 5<sup>th</sup> in the nation from US News and World Report. The program will offer a comprehensive design with rotations in various subspecialties.

The trainee will have the opportunity to build on their graduate academic training by strengthening and developing skills in a variety of domains critical to advance practice. The clinical sites include the academic, pediatric and congenital heart center and ambulatory/sub-specialty clinics at Riley Hospital for Children.

IU School of Medicine is the largest medical school in the U.S. with many residents, fellows, and other learners. IU Health promotes inter-disciplinary collaboration, however, APPs will primarily train under APP supervision. The APP program will ensure that all trainees collaborate to promote respectful teamwork with clear expectations on roles, procedures, and scope of practice. This will help prepare APP trainees for their future work as a vital part of team-based care.

The program provides trainees with:

- A solid foundation to build their advanced practice career in Indiana's only nationally ranked children's hospital in Indiana.
- Comprehensive experience including:
  - Hands-On Learning in specialty clinical areas
  - Didactic Sessions
  - Mentorship
  - Case-based learning

### Clinical Experiences

- Inpatient Cardiology
- CVICU
- NICU Heart Center
- Cardiovascular Surgery
- Echocardiography Lab
- Cardiac Catheterization Lab
- Electrophysiology Clinics and Lab
- Outpatient Cardiology Clinics
- Preventive Cardiology
- Adult Congenital Clinics
- Cardiovascular genetics/cardiomyopathies

### Training Objectives

1. Build confidence in the APP and promote an understanding of the collaborative role they play within the pediatric cardiac team for transition to advanced practice
2. Gain knowledge of managing pediatric and congenital heart disease and other pediatric cardiology diagnoses
3. Collaborate with APPs and the interdisciplinary team in inpatient and outpatient settings to gain postgraduate experience