

Indiana University Health

Post-Graduate Track: Trauma Acute Care Surgery

The Trauma Acute Care Surgery (TACS) Postgraduate APP Training Program is a one-year, post-graduate experience designed for nurse practitioners (*FNP*, *AGNP*, *AGACNP*) and physician assistants in a nationally ranked health system. The program will offer a comprehensive design with rotations in various subspecialty services.

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. Trainees will work alongside our current APP and physician staff to expand their knowledge and skills related to the clinical management of hospitalized patients.

The program provides trainees with:

- A solid foundation to build their advanced practice career in a nationally recognized health system
- Comprehensive experience including:
 - o Hands-On Learning in specialty clinical areas
 - o Didactic Sessions
 - Mentorship
 - o Simulation experiences focusing on clinical patient management
 - Case-based learning

Clinical Experiences

- Trauma
- Emergency General Surgery
- Hospitalist Medicine
- Surgical Critical Care
- Pulmonary Critical Care

- Emergency Medicine
- Neurosurgery
- Trauma Clinic
- Cardiology
- Orthopedic Surgery

Training Objectives

- 1. Build confidence in the APP and promote an understanding of the collaborative role they play within the comprehensive TACS team to allow for a seamless transition to advanced practice.
- 2. Acquire a comprehensive knowledge base of the wholistic care of the TACS patient across the spectrum of acute care to chronic disease management utilizing guideline directed, evidence-based care.
- 3. Collaborate with a multi-disciplinary team in various care settings to promote professionalism and communication skills that are vital to function in a team-based care model.