Standard 14. Scholarly Inquiry

The nursing professional development practitioner integrates scholarship, evidence, and research findings into practice.

COMPETENCIES

The nursing professional development practitioner:

1. Acts as a **champion for inquiry**, generating new knowledge and integrating best available evidence into **practice**.

2. Uses the best available evidence to guide **practice** decisions.

3. Supports **inquiry** that aligns with the organizational mission, vision, and strategic plan.

4. Participates in **inquiry** at various levels appropriate to the NPD practitioner’s education and **role**.

5. Participates in quality initiatives.

6. Disseminates **inquiry** findings, including **evidence-based practice** and **quality improvement** activities, through educational and **professional development** activities.
ADDITIONAL COMPETENCIES FOR THE NURSING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST*

In addition to the NPD practitioner competencies, the nursing professional development specialist:

7. Creates a supportive environment for inquiry.

8. Synthesizes the best available evidence to recommend practice changes.

9. Applies principles of implementation science to maintain and sustain practice change.

10. Engages in inquiry activities that align with the organizational mission, vision, and strategic plan.

11. Contributes to interprofessional practice by supporting, conducting, and synthesizing research and EBP.

12. Advocates for the ethical conduct of inquiry.

13. Leads quality and safety initiatives.


15. Disseminates research, EBP, and QI findings through activities such as presentations, publications, and consultation.

16. Advances the science of NPD practice.

* Graduate-level prepared, certified in NPD