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Contemporary Nursing

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**Advanced Nursing Practice and the Journey to Advanced Practice Nursing***Dudley Brown S**Johns Hopkins School of Nursing, USA*

Advanced Nursing Practice and Advanced Practice Nursing (APN) are equally important in today's healthcare marketplace. In the United States (US), Advanced Practice Nursing is a role, for the Nurse Practitioner, the Clinical Nurse Specialist, the Nurse Midwife, and the Nurse Anesthetist. These 4 roles for Advanced Practice Nurses, are unified under this umbrella, which has helped to provide consistency in their educational requirements, licensure, and credentialing. This LACE model of integration has helped shape the practice both in primary, acute and specialty care. This presentation will describe the highlights of both Advanced Nursing Practice and the APN roles in the US and will include one person's journey into the role of the Nurse Practitioner and subsequent specialty practice.