

**UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL SCHOOL  
COMMITTEE FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS IN RESEARCH**

**FACT SHEET (version 3)**

**Title:** Does RN experience influence NP Role Transition and Socialization among Graduates of Accelerated RN to NP Programs? (H00019314)

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**Sponsor:** Tan Chingfen Graduate School of Nursing, UMass Chan Medical School

- A. We are inviting you to participate in a research study.
- B. Taking part in this research is voluntary and completely up to you. You are free to say no or to leave the research at any time. There will be no penalties or changes in the quality of the health care you receive, and you will not lose any benefits to which you are otherwise entitled.
- C. The purpose of this study is to explore role transition and socialization to nursing among accelerated advanced practice nurses in both graduates who worked as nurses and those who did not work in the RN role.
- D. If you agree to participate, you will take part in a one-on-one audio-recorded interview, either by telephone or by Zoom with a member of the research team, or you will complete a survey with interview questions on your own. Interviews are expected to last about one hour, plus the time required to discuss the study, give verbal consent and to complete demographics (up to two hours total).
- E. This study involves minimal risk. There are no anticipated physical risks; however, you may feel uncomfortable answering certain interview questions at which time you have the right to stop the interview or decline to answer questions at any point.

There is a risk that someone could get access to the information about you and misuse it. To help protect your personal information, we will store your name separately from your research data and code your research data with a subject ID. We will keep any paper documents under lock and key. We will keep any electronic information on secure computer networks (UMass One Drive). These networks have many levels of protection.
- F. We will store your data for seven years, and we will destroy the list that links your identity to your data at the conclusion of this study.
- G. It is possible that we might use the research data in other future research. We may also share data with researchers and companies that are not part of The University of Massachusetts Chan Medical School (UMass Chan Medical School). In these cases, we will not share your name or other information that identifies you directly, and we will not come back to you to ask you for your consent.
- H. At this time, we do not think that the research data (whether linked to you or with identifiers removed) will lead to commercial profit. In the event it does, there are no plans to share any financial gain with you.

- I. Your participation may help us to gain knowledge about the pros and cons of RN work experience on NP role transition. However, there is no direct benefit to you.
- J. As a thank you for your participation, you will receive a \$25 e-gift card.
- K. It may be several years before the results of the research are available. If you would like us to try to reach you at that time, please let us know. We will ask for your contact information.
- L. We will try to limit access to your personal information to people who have a need to review this information. We cannot promise complete privacy. The UMass Chan Medical School, including the Institutional Review Board (IRB) and research, billing, and compliance offices, may see your information.
- M. The UMass Chan Medical School does not provide funds for the treatment of research-related injury. If you are injured as a result of your participation in this study, treatment will be provided. You or your insurance carrier will be expected to pay the costs of this treatment. No additional financial compensation for injury or lost wages is available. You do not give up any of your legal rights by participating in this research.
- N. If you have any questions, concerns, or complaints, or think that the research has hurt you, you can talk to one of the Principal Investigators, Dr. Patricia White (617) 512-5688, or Dr. Mary Fischer (774) 455-5666.
- O. This research has been reviewed and approved by an IRB. You can reach them at (508) 856-4261 or [irb@umassmed.edu](mailto:irb@umassmed.edu) if you would prefer to speak with someone not associated with the study or have questions about your rights as a research participant.