



**START YOUR NURSING CAREER IN THE AIR FORCE**





### **COMMITMENT TO SERVE**

Nursing is more than a career choice it's a passion. It's a desire and a commitment to serve others. Air Force nurses serve our nation by being heroes to our military heroes and their families.

It's true that nurses are in high demand today throughout the civilian healthcare industry. But many can become stuck in a routine job with predictable hours with little opportunity for advancement and promotion.

Air Force nurses are commissioned officers and influential leaders who are highly respected members of our healthcare teams. They serve as role models for enlisted personnel and use their leadership and management skills to inspire and motivate others.

Our nurses deploy around the world in support of wartime and humanitarian missions. Their expertise may be called upon to care for wounded service members on aeromedical evacuation flights or to provide medical care and disaster relief in developing countries.

### **A LEADER IN HEALTHCARE**

With more than 80 clinics, hospitals and major medical centers worldwide, Air Force nurses work with the best physicians and other healthcare professionals. They use state-of-the-art equipment to do everything from assisting our nation's warriors and delivering babies to helping discover breakthrough medical treatments. They work with a highly diverse patient population.

### **SPECIALTIES**

Whether you recently graduated with a nursing degree or perhaps have years of experience, your skills are needed in these Air Force specialties:

- Critical Care Nurse
- Emergency Department/Trauma Nurse
- Family Nurse Practitioner
- Medical/Surgical Nurse
- Mental Healthcare Nurse Practitioner
- Neonatal Intensive Care
- Nurse Anesthetist
- Nurse Midwife
- Obstetrical Nurse
- Operating Room Nurse
- Pediatric Nurse Practitioner
- Women's Health Nurse Practitioner

As an Air Force nurse, your career path takes into consideration your goals, lifestyle and professional growth.

### **GOALS**

Are you interested in being part of a critical care air transport team? How about being a consultant to the Air Force Surgeon General? Perhaps working in a research or academic environment sounds exciting. It's up to you how high you set the bar and how far you want to take your nursing career in the Air Force. The sky truly is the limit.

### **LIFESTYLE**

The Air Force is committed to providing you with a quality of life and work environment that allows you to devote more time to your family and friends.

Take advantage of on-base recreational facilities including fitness centers, bowling centers, golf courses, tennis courts and hobby shops. There are also child development centers for young children and youth activities for older children. Plus the base grocery and department stores offer discount prices.





## TRAVEL

Many choose the Air Force for travel and adventure and volunteer for assignments around the world. Whether it's in Europe or the Far East, you'll enjoy the freedom to explore the local area and experience a variety of ethnic cultures.

While your base of preference is always taken into consideration, assignments are based on the needs of the Air Force. The best part though, you won't lose seniority when transferring from one medical facility to another and you'll make lifelong friends along the way.

## PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

Your professional growth and development through leadership experiences, on-the-job training, and continuing medical education begin your first day in the Air Force. To keep you current in your field, you'll have ample opportunities to attend civilian and military seminars all at no expense to you. We also provide scholarships through the Nurse Health Professions Scholarship Program.

Our tuition assistance program pays up to 100 percent of your costs to pursue an advanced degree or other off-duty college courses toward a professional certification. And if you qualify and are selected, the Air Force Institute of Technology allows you to earn a master's or doctorate degree full time with no cost to you and without losing your salary or benefits.



## BENEFITS

It's hard to match the perks you receive as an Air Force nurse. In addition to a competitive salary with regular promotions and pay increases, you'll enjoy these benefits:

- 30 days of vacation with pay each year
- Comprehensive medical and dental care
- Tax-free allowances for housing and food
- Thrift Savings Plan similar to a 401(k)
- Excellent retirement benefits after only 20 years of service

You may also be eligible for a sign-on bonus, incentive specialty pay or a college loan repayment program. Your Air Force Health Professions recruiter has complete details.

## AIR FORCE QUALIFICATIONS

- U.S. citizen between the ages of 18 and 47
- Licensed Registered Nurse
- Senior or graduate of an approved B.S.N. from an accredited program

## AIR FORCE INFORMATION

We know nursing is your passion. Why not share it with the heroes who proudly serve our country? For more information, contact your local Air Force Health Professions recruiter today. Also, call 1-800-588-5260 or visit us at [AIRFORCE.COM/HEALTHCARE](http://AIRFORCE.COM/HEALTHCARE).



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