

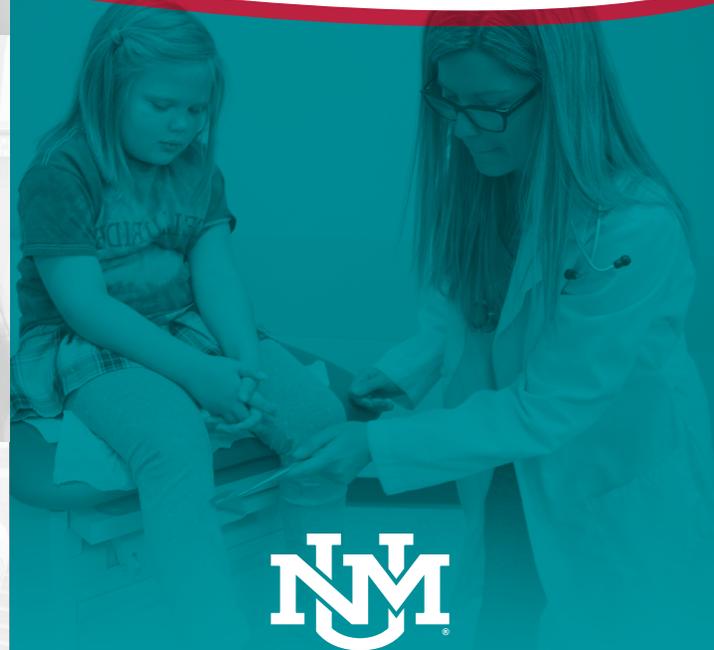
Advanced Practice Pharmacists

A look into the clinical skills, medication expertise, and accessibility offered by advanced practice pharmacists

What is Advanced Practice Pharmacy?

Advanced practice pharmacy is the highest level of pharmacist-provided health care wherein highly trained pharmacists can exercise prescriptive authority and provide certain primary and specialty care services. Much like nurse practitioners and physicians assistants, they are an integral part of the interprofessional health care team, enhancing patient care outcomes around New Mexico, particularly in rural and underserved communities.

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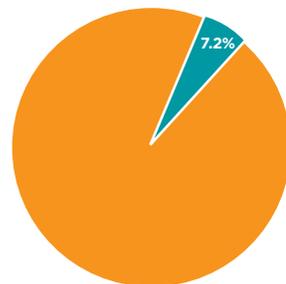
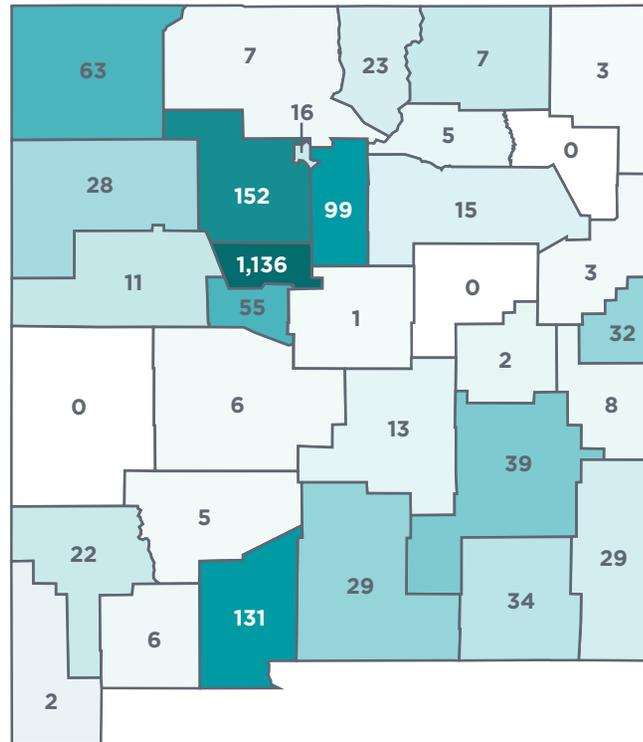
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Where are pharmacists serving in New Mexico?

Whether advanced practice or not, pharmacists serve throughout the entire state of New Mexico, many in areas with limited access to health care professionals. Those that do practice at the advanced level have tremendous impacts on their communities. **Pharmacist clinicians (PhC.)**, a type of advanced practice pharmacist, collaborate with physicians to provide an even higher level of patient care including duties such as prescribing medications, performing physical exams and ordering lab tests. All UNM College of Pharmacy PharmD graduates receive prescriptive authority training and many complete the requirements to become pharmacist clinicians during their degree program.

Where are pharmacists making an impact?



~1800 Pharmacists
~250 Pharmacist Clinicians

*Data provided by the New Mexico Board of Pharmacy

What do advanced practice pharmacists provide to their communities?

- Health Screenings
- HIV testing
- Atrial Fibrillation Screenings
- Comprehensive Medication Reviews
- Medication Therapy Management
- Medication synchronization and adherence monitoring
- Chronic disease management

Prescribing and administering

- Immunizations
- Emergency contraception
- Tobacco cessation
- Tuberculin skin tests
- Naloxone
- Hormonal contraception
- Medications in a PhC protocol