What basic education is required to be an Army nurse?

Bachelor of Science Nursing Subjects generally include:

- Anatomy & Physiology
- Pharmacology
- Chemistry
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Disease/Injury Management
- Nursing Care Across the Lifespan
- Family Health
- Health Promotion
- Nutrition
- Health Education
- Records Documentation

How do I become an Army Public Health Nurse (APHN)?

Attend AOC (66B) Producing Course:

Principles of Military Preventive Medicine Course (6A-F5)

- Community, Family, Individual Assessment
- Rapid Health Assessment
- Epidemiology
- Military Reportable Conditions
- Family Advocacy
- Military Population Health Education
- Mass Vaccination Program Management
- Humanitarian Assistance
- Public Health Emergency Response
- Risk Communication
- Military Environmental/Occupational Health
- Public Health Case Management

What advanced degrees/training are available to APHNs?

Civilian Graduate Degrees

- Masters of Science in Nursing (MSN) and/or Masters of Public Health (MPH)
  - Health Policy/ Management*
  - Behavioral Science/ Health Education*
  - Public Health/Nursing Informatics*
  - Emergency Preparedness*
  - Epidemiology*
  - Family & Community Health*
  - Health Behavior & Education*
  - Environmental/ Population Health*
  - Community/Public Health Management*
  - Biostatistics*
- Doctorates in Nursing, Public Health, etc. (e.g., PhD, DNSc, DrPH)

Preventive Medicine Senior Leadership Course (6A-F6)

- Preventive Medicine Programming
- Resource Management
- Operational Risk Management

*Specialization

What other educational/training opportunities can an APHN receive?

- Base Camp Assessment
- Epidemiology
- Health Promotion
- Biological Threat Response
- Humanitarian Assistance
- Occupational Health
- Field Training
- Family Advocacy
- Climatic Injuries
- Hearing Conservation
- Water Quality
- Civil Affairs
- Vaccination Programs
- Nutrition
- Environmental Compliance
- Legal Aspects of PM

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Army Public Health Nursing

Army Public Health Nurses promote, protect, optimize, and preserve the health and abilities of Soldiers and military communities through delivery of the Public Health Essential Services to individuals, families, and groups.

Army Public Health Nursing

MISSION: Provide essential Public Health Nursing services in field and garrison environments.

VISION: Ready and fit Soldiers prospering in healthy military communities.

Ten Essential Public Health Services

Monitor Health Status

- Performs community & rapid health assessments
- Monitors Disease Non-Battle Injury
- Identifies vulnerable populations

Diagnose & Investigate Health Problems

- Plans, investigates, & responds to public health emergencies
- Gathers, analyzes, & investigates data regarding actual or potential threats to human health (communicable diseases, chronic diseases, injuries, etc.)
- Recommends individual, unit, & community level control measures

Inform & Educate

- Develops, coordinates/implements health education and health promotion activities
- Supports health & risk communication activities

Mobilize Communities to Address Health Problems

- Establishes partnerships with community members to address community health needs

Develop Policies & Plans

- Contributes to public health policy
- Participates in strategic health planning

Support & Inform Regulations that Protect & Ensure Public Health Safety

- Review & assure compliance with regulations/laws that support military health & mission

Link People to Needed Health Services

- Provides targeted health services (e.g., for TB, STD, HIV, & other public health conditions)
- Serves as a consultant regarding available civilian & military resources in the community

Assure a Competent Public Health Workforce

- APHNs meet licensure, educational, & competency requirements

Evaluate Health Services

- Evaluates the effectiveness, accessibility, quality of public health nursing services, & progresses towards program goals

Foster Research for New Insights & Innovative Solutions to Health Problems

- Supports community-based, public health, public health nursing, & other population oriented health research