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Meet the 2024-25 PAEA-AAPA Fellows

We are pleased to announce the 2024-2025 AAPA-PAEA Research Fellows, Sarah Bolander, DMSc, PA-C, assistant professor at Northern Arizona University, and Katherine Thompson, MCHS, PA-C, an urgent care PA at Snoqualmie Valley Health in Snoqualmie, WA.

PA Bolander's project, PA-Specific Doctoral Degrees in Practice: Exploring Demographics and Practice Characteristics Among PAs, investigates whether there are differences in demographics, practice characteristics, and employment trends among PAs with PA-specific doctoral degrees. PA Thompson's project, Trauma-Informed Care Training and Impact on Employee Wellness Scores, examines the impact of a trauma-informed system on workplace wellness, employee retention, and employee connectivity.

Learn more about the fellows and their research [here](#).



Sarah Bolander, DMSc, PA-C



Katherine Thompson, MCHS, PA-C

Latest AAPA Publications

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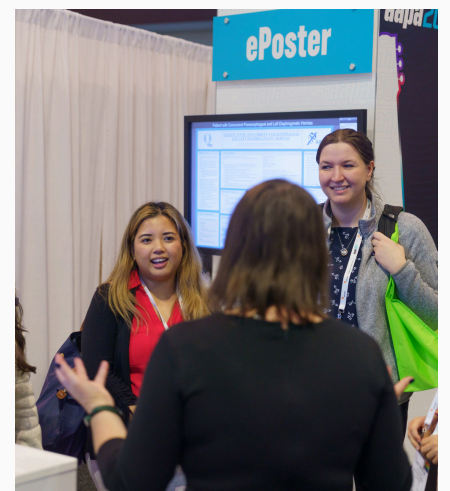
Research Activities at AAPA 2025

The call for research submissions for AAPA 2025 in Denver will open in December! Stay in the know and learn more about the research activities [here](#). For questions, reach out to postersession@aapa.org.

Related links:

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Newest Research on the PA Profession

Here are a few articles we think you should see:

The first of a two-part series on PA leadership by the AAPA's Reimbursement and Professional Advocacy staff, this article summarizes the importance of PA leaders and how they are critical to a healthcare organization's success. Read more [here](#).

Ryan Whites, PhD, PA-C examines data from 2013 to 2019 PAEA Program reports to investigate compensation trends in PA programs. The research aims to understand the financial arrangements between PA programs and clinical training sites, as well as how these arrangements impact the availability and quality of training opportunities. Read more [here](#).

A study led by Mirela Bruza-Augatis, PhD, MS, PA-C, examines the role that PAs play in delivering healthcare services in under-resourced areas, particularly rural and underserved communities, using the NCCPA 2022 PA Profile data. Read the study [here](#).

Upcoming Events

Research connections

Join us for our networking event on September 26. This time, we will discuss how to create strong, interdisciplinary research teams.

Click [here](#) to register! Act fast, space is limited.

AAPA Strengthens Researchers

Looking for research CME?

AAPA collaborates with experts to offer free CME so PAs and PA students can learn about research and enhance their clinical work. In July 2024 we launched new course offerings related to outcomes research, quality improvement, and secondary data. Learn more [here](#), and be on the lookout for our new set of courses next year!

Resource highlight

CDC PLACES Local Health Data

PLACES provides model-based, population-level analysis and community estimates of health measures to all counties, places (incorporated and census designated places), census tracts, and ZIP Code Tabulation Areas (ZCTAs) across the United States. [Learn more about PLACES.](#)

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