

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

Institution	Degree Awarded	Year
University of Northern Colorado Greeley, CO Dissertation: <i>The Experiences of RNs in a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Program</i> Advisor: Janice Hayes, PhD	PhD, Nursing Education	2014
University of Colorado Health Sciences Center Denver, CO	Master of Science Nursing: Neonatal Nurse Practitioner	1985
University of Northern Colorado Greeley, CO	BSN Nursing Minor: English	1980

Licensure and Certification

Registered Nurse	CO 68191	Active
Advanced Practice License	CO 1546	Active
Prescriptive Authority	CO 236	Active
Neonatal Nurse Practitioner National Certification Corporation	WIT1-0430-4966	1986 - Current
Basic Life Support		Current
Neonatal Resuscitation Program	Regional Instructor	1988-2019
S.T.A.B.L.E. Program <i>Pre-transport Stabilization of Neonates</i>	Lead Instructor	2000 – 2017

Employment History

Dates Employed	Institution/ Location	Position	Responsibilities
2019- Present	Regis University Denver, CO	Dean, Professor Loretto Heights School of Nursing	Oversight of all aspects of the School of Nursing, including operations, budget, classroom and clinical placements, faculty and staff.
2018- Present	National Certification Corporation	Director, Test Development	Preparation and oversight of certification examinations, organizing volunteers, reviewing questions, examining statistical analysis of exams.
2021- Present	Regis University, Denver CO	Professor	Dean and teaching including MS and DNP students
2015-2019	Regis University Denver, CO	Associate Professor	Teaching; including neonatal and family nurse practitioner programs, pre-licensure, and Doctor of Nursing Practice programs.
2010 – 2015	Regis University Denver CO	Assistant Professor	Teaching; including neonatal and family nurse practitioner programs, pre-licensure, and Doctor of Nursing Practice programs.
2012- 2019	Regis University	NNP Program Coordinator	Serve as advisor for neonatal nurse practitioner students. Coordinate NNP classes, affiliate faculty, and clinical assignments. Review NNP program applications. Oversee new NNP student orientation. Ensure that NNP Program meets all accreditation and national standards.
2003-2010	Regis University Denver, CO	Affiliate Faculty NNP Program	Teaching neonatal nurse practitioner classes and roles course for family nurse practitioners.
2013- 2017	Pediatric Medical Group Greeley, CO	Neonatal Nurse Practitioner: Per diem	Per Diem NNP. Respond to delivery room, NICU emergencies, assessment and management of NICU patients

2009-2019	Children's Hospital Colorado Aurora, CO	Neonatal Nurse Practitioner: Per diem	Per Diem NNP at community site. Respond to delivery room, NICU emergencies, assessment and management of NICU patients
1985-2014	P/SL Medical Center Denver, CO	Neonatal Nurse Practitioner	Respond to delivery room, NICU emergencies, assessment and management of NICU patients. Staff education.
1989 - 2002	P/SL Medical Center Denver, CO	Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Program Coordinator	Coordination of NNP schedule, continuing education, coordination with NICU team physicians and nurses, staff evaluations
2005-2010	P/SL Medical Center Denver, CO	Clinical Nurse Specialist	Responsible for NICU orientation and ongoing staff education, including NRP and STABLE. Updating policies and procedures and patient care guidelines.
1995-2003	University of Colorado, Beth-El School of Nursing Colorado Springs, CO	Clinical and Affiliate faculty	Clinical and affiliate faculty for neonatal nurse practitioner program.
1980-1985	St. Joseph's Hospital, Denver, CO	Staff Nurse, NICU	Direct patient care in NICU Night Charge Nurse

Honors and Awards

Organization	Award	Year received
RHCHP	Sustained Scholarship Award	2023
RHCHP	Leadership Award	2020
Journal of Perinatal and Neonatal Nursing	Neonatal Best Reviewer	2018
Alpha Sigma Nu (Jesuit Honor Society)	Honorary Membership	2015

National Association of Neonatal Nurses	Leadership Award	2012
National Association of Neonatal Nurses	Distinguished Service Award	2007
Nightingale Award Nominee	Nominee	2008

Scholarly Activities: Publications

Refereed Publications

Witt, C.L. & Wallman, C. (2024). *Physical Assessment of the Newborn* (Eds.) New York, NY. Springer Publishing Company

Witt, C.L. (2024). Skin assessment. In C.L. Witt & C. Wallman (Eds). *Physical Assessment of the Newborn. 7th ed.* New York, NY. Springer Publishing Company.

Witt, C.L. (2024). Dangerous things we used to do in neonatology. *Critical Care Nursing Clinics*, 36(1). 1-10.

Witt, C.L. (2021). Scope and Standards of Practice for Neonatal Nursing 3rd ed. American Nurses Association, (New York), National Association of Neonatal Nurses. (IL)

Witt, C.L. (2021). Neonatal Dermatology. In M.T. Verklan, M. Waldon, & S. Forest (Eds). *Core Curriculum for Neonatal Intensive Care Nursing, 6th ed.* Philadelphia, PA. Elsevier, 678-690.

Witt, C.L. (2019). Skin assessment. In E.P. Tappero, & M.E. Honeyfield (Eds). *Physical Assessment of the Newborn, 6th ed.* New York, NY. Springer Publishing Company, 45-59.

Witt, C.L. (2017). Hematologic system cases. In S.Bellini & M.J. Beaulieu (Eds). *Neonatal Advanced Practice Nursing: A Case Based Approach.* New York, NY. Springer Publishing Company, 160-186.

Witt, C.L. (2016). Management of neonatal infection, sepsis, and complications. In D.F. Askin, (Ed.). *Infection in the neonate: A Comprehensive Guide to Assessment, Management, and Nursing Care, 2nd ed.* Petaluma, CA. NICU INK, 151-173.

Witt, C.L. (2015). Skin assessment. In E.P. Tappero, & M.E. Honeyfield (Eds). *Physical Assessment of the Newborn, 5th ed.* Petaluma, CA. NICU INK 45-59

Witt, C.L. (2015). Neonatal dermatology. In M.T. Verklan, & M. Walden (Eds). *Core Curriculum for Neonatal Intensive Care Nursing, 5th ed.* Philadelphia, Elsevier, 795-812.

Witt, C.L. (2010). Neonatal dermatology. In M.T. Verklan, & M. Walden (Eds). *Core Curriculum for Neonatal Intensive Care Nursing, 4th ed.* Philadelphia, Elsevier.

- Witt, C.L.** (2009). Skin Assessment. In E.P. Tappero, & M.E. Honeyfield (Eds). *Physical Assessment of the Newborn 4th ed.* Petaluma, CA. NICU INK
- Roehrs, C., Masterson A., Alles, R., **Witt, C.**, Rutt, P. (2008). Caring for families coping with Perinatal loss. *JOGNN*, 37, 631-639.
- Witt, C.L.** (2004). Management of neonatal infection, sepsis, and complications. In D. F. Askin, (Ed.). *Infection in the Neonate: A Comprehensive Guide to Assessment, Management, and Nursing Care.* Petaluma CA. NICU INK. 143 – 162.
- Witt, C.L.** (2004). Leadership at the bedside. *Advances in Neonatal Care.* 4(6).
- Witt, C.L.** (2004). Neonatal Dermatology. In M.T. Verkand, & M. Walden, (Eds.). *Core Curriculum for Neonatal Intensive Care Nursing. 3rd ed.* Philadelphia, Elsevier. 893 - 912.
- Witt, C.L.** (2003). Focus on the Physical: Detecting developmental dysplasia of the hip. *Advances in Neonatal Care.* 3(2) 65 – 75.
- Witt, C.L.** (2003). Skin Assessment. In *Physical Assessment of the Newborn 3rd ed.* E. Tappero & M.E. Honeyfield, (Eds)., Petaluma, CA. NICU INK 41 – 54.
- Witt, C.L.** & Askin D. (2003). Behavioral Assessment. In E. Tappero, & M.E. Honeyfield, (Eds)*Physical Assessment of the Newborn 3rd ed.* Petaluma, CA. NICU INK, 173 – 184.
- Witt, C.L.** (1999). Adrenal Insufficiency in the Term and Preterm Neonate. *Neonatal Network.* 18(5) 21 - 28.
- Witt, C.L.** (1998). Cyanotic heart lesions with increased pulmonary blood flow. *Neonatal Network.* 17(7) 7-16.
- Witt, C.L.** (1997). Cardiac Embryology. *Neonatal Network.* 16(1) 43-49.
- Witt, C.L.** (1996). Tuberculosis in Childbearing Women and Neonates. *Mother Baby Journal.* 1(4) 13-16.
- Witt, C.L.** (1991). Neonatal consequences of asphyxia. *NAACOG's Clinical Issues in Perinatal and Women's Health Nursing.* 2(1) 48-77.

Non-Refereed Publications

- Witt, C.L.** (2020). The importance of information. Why associations have journals. (editorial) *Advances in Neonatal Care*, 20(3), 181-182.

Presentations

Refereed

- Witt, C.L. & Krening, C.** (2023). Everything vintage is not a treasure. Outdated practices in obstetrics and neonatology. *44th Annual L. Joseph Butterfield Perinatal Conference*. Denver, CO.
- Witt, C.L., & Krening, C.** (2023). Everything vintage is not a treasure. Outdated practices in obstetrics and neonatology. *AWHONN National Meeting*, New Orleans, LA.
- Witt, C.L.** (2023). Dangerous things we used to do in neonatology. *Colorado AWHONN Annual Conference*, Colorado Springs, CO.
- Witt, C.L.** (2022). Dangerous things we used to do in neonatology. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses, Annual Conference*, Las Vegas NV
- Witt, C.L.,** Deacon, J. (2019). Dangerous things we used to do in neonatology. *Neonatal Advanced Practice Conference*, Denver, CO.
- Witt, C.L.** (2018). Mother's and medications, Effects on the neonate. *Academy of Neonatal Nursing Advanced Practice Neonatal Nurse's Conference*, Portland OR.
- Witt, C.L.** (2016). Neonatal Dermatology. *Changing Seasons in Neonatology*, Oklahoma City, OK.
- Witt, C.L.** (2016). Effects of maternal depression, SSRIs and other mental health disorders on the neonate. *Changing Seasons in Neonatology*, Oklahoma City, OK.
- Witt, C.L.** (2016). Is This a Trick Question? Writing Meaningful Test Questions. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses, Faculty Forum*. Palm Springs, CA.
- Witt, C.L.** (2016). Neonatal Dermatology. *Academy of Neonatal Nursing Advanced Practice Conference*, San Diego, CA
- Witt, C.L.** (2016). Effects of maternal depression, SSRIs and other mental health disorders on the neonate. *Academy of Neonatal Nursing Advanced Practice Conference*, San Diego, CA
- Witt, C.L.** (2015). Experience of RNs in a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Program. *Neonatal Advanced Practice Conference*, Denver, CO
- Witt, C.L.** (2015). Experience of RNs in a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Program. *Nurse Educator Conference in the Rockies*, Breckenridge, CO
- Witt, C.L.** (2015). Experiences of RNs in a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Program, *Neonatal Advanced Practice Forum*, Washington D.C.
- Witt, C.L., & Krening, C.** (2015). Legal Issues in Perinatal Nursing. *AWHONN Regional*

Meeting, Denver, CO

- Witt, C.L.** (2015). Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome. *AWHONN Regional Meeting, Denver, CO*
- Witt, C.L.** (2014). Effects of maternal depression, SSRIs, and other mental health disorders on the neonate. *AWHONN Regional Meeting, Loveland, CO.*
- Witt, C.L.** (2014). Update on advanced practice education and regulation. *District VII Section on Perinatal Pediatrics 38th Annual Conference, Denver, CO*
- Witt, C.L.** (2013). Effects of maternal depression, SSRIs, and other mental health disorders on the neonate. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses 29th Annual Education Conference, Nashville, TN.*
- Witt, C.L.** (2013). How to review a manuscript. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses 29th Annual Education Conference, Nashville, TN*
- Witt, C.L.** (2013). The late preterm infant. *AWHONN Regional Meeting, Colorado Springs, CO*
- Witt, C.L.** (2012). Effects of maternal depression, SSRIs, and other mental health disorders on the neonate. *Neonatal Potpourri 2012. Denver, CO*
- Witt, C.L.** (2011). Resuscitation of the micropremie. *AWHONN National Meeting, Denver, CO.*
- Witt, C.L.** (2011). Writing for publication. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses 27th Annual Education Conference, Orlando, FL*
- Witt, C.L.** (2010). Writing for publication. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses 26th Annual Education Conference, Las Vegas, NV*
- Witt, C.L.** (2010). Hot topics for 2010 in Advances in Neonatal Care. *Front Range Association of Neonatal Nurses, Keystone, CO*
- Witt, C.L.** (2009). Fundamentals of Genetics. *Front Range Association of Neonatal Nurses, Denver, CO*
- Witt, C.L.** (2008). Recognition of the sick term newborn. *AWHONN Regional Conference, Denver, CO*
- Witt, C.L.** (2008). Adrenal Insufficiency. *Front Range Association of Neonatal Nurses. Denver, CO.*
- Witt, C.L.** (2008). Congenital heart disease in the newborn. *Colorado Association of Low Risk Neonatal Nurses. Denver, CO*
- Witt, C.L.** (2007). Writer's Workshop. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses Annual*

Education Meeting. San Diego, CA

Witt, C.L. (2005). Writing for publication. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses Annual Education Meeting*, Palm Springs, CA

Witt, C.L. (2001). Resume and interview skills. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses Annual Education Meeting*, Salt Lake City, UT

Witt, C.L. (2001). Adrenal insufficiency. *NNP Update*, Dallas, TX.

Poster Presentations

Witt, C.L. Vahle, R. (2022). I wish I had learned this sooner. Respectful care of unique families in nursing education. *National Association of Neonatal Nurses Annual Convention*, Las Vegas, NV.

Witt, C.L. Vahle, R. (2022). I wish I had learned this sooner. Respectful care of unique families in nursing education. *Association of Women's Health, Obstetric, and Neonatal Nurses, Annual Convention*, Denver, CO. **Winner Outstanding Education Poster**

Witt, C.L., Wallman, C. (2018). Blending classroom students with technology peers. Using Zoom™ to create a synchronous ground based and distant learning environment. *Poster Presentation; Nurse Educator Conference in the Rockies*, Vail CO

Witt, C.L. (2017). Experiences of RNs in a Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Program. *Poster Presentation; Western Institute of Nursing*, Denver, CO

Non-Refereed/Invited Presentations

Witt, C.L. (2023). Dangerous things we used to do in neonatology. *Association of Women's Health, Obstetric, and Neonatal Nurses Colorado State Conference*, Colorado Springs

Witt, C.L. (2016). Update, NNP Education, Certification. *Neonatal Advanced Practice Conference*, Denver, CO

Witt, C.L. (2015). NCC Update. *Neonatal Advanced Practice Conference*, Denver, CO

Witt, C.L., Honeyfield, M.E. (2015). Precepting the NNP student. *Pediatric Quarterly NNP Meeting*, Denver, CO

Witt, C.L. (2014, 2013, 2012). Professional growth and development. *P/SL New Graduate Residency Program*, Denver, CO.

Witt, C.L. (2014, 2013, 2012). STABLE: Stabilization and transport of the neonate. *P/SL Outreach Program*, various locations Colorado and Wyoming.

Witt, C.L., Meier, S. (2014). *Neonatal update*. Glenwood Springs, CO

Witt, C.L., Rusk, C. (2013). *Neonatal update*, North Platte, NE

Witt, C.L. (1998). Stabilization and resuscitation of the newborn. *Air Life Emergency Transport Services*. Denver. CO

Witt, C.L. (1995, 1996). Understanding the CBC and differential. *Innovative Health Care*, El Paso, TX

Research Activities

Witt, C.L. (2014). The experience of registered nurses during their first year of a neonatal nurse practitioner program. Doctoral Dissertation, University of Northern Colorado.

Scholarly Professional Activities

Colorado Action Committee, Racial Disparities in Perinatal Morbidity and Mortality. Center for Nursing Excellence. 2022-2024.

National Task Force, Revision of the Criteria for Evaluation of Nurse Practitioner Programs. National Task Force on Quality Nurse Practitioner Education. *National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculty*. 2019-2022.

National Task Force, DNP Outcomes Evaluation. *National Organization of Nurse Practitioner Faculty*. 2019-2023.

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Perinatal and Neonatal Nursing*. 2017 - present

Editor-in-Chief. *Advances in Neonatal Care, the Official Journal of the National Association of Neonatal Nurses*. 2007 – 2013.

Published 6 times per year. Responsible for soliciting articles, scheduling reviewers, providing feedback to authors, and making decisions regarding publication for journal. Provided editorial for each issue.

Peer Reviewer, *Advances in Neonatal Care*, 2014 - present

Peer Reviewer, *Neonatal Network*. 1995 – 2001

Column Editor, *Neonatal Network*. 1995 – 2000

External Reviewer for Promotion and Tenure

Creighton University, 2021, Boston University, 2022, Duke University, 2022, University of Northern Colorado, 2023

Rueckert-Hartman College for Health Professions (RHCHP) Leadership Institute

Completed 2015-2016

LHSON Leadership Development 2018

Colorado Center for Nursing Excellence LEAD for Academic Excellence Program
Denver, CO
AACN Business Officers of Nursing Schools
San Antonio, TX
Chairs and Academic Administrators Management Program (CAAMP)
Atlanta, GA

Ignation Colleagues Program 2021-2023. Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities

Professional Associations/Activities

Memberships:

Organization	Dates
Alpha Sigma Nu	2015 - Present
Sigma Theta Tau International, Nursing Honor Society	2011 - Present
American Nurses Association	2010 - Present
National Association of Neonatal Nurses	1986 - Present
National Association of Neonatal Nurse Practitioners	2008 - Present
National Association of Nurse Practitioner Faculty	2014 - Present
Academy of Neonatal Nursing	2015 - Present
American Academy of Pediatrics: Perinatal Section	2010 - Present
Colorado Nurses Association	2011 - Present
Front Range Association of Neonatal Nurses	2007 - Present

Positions and Committees:

National Association of Neonatal Nurses:

Position	Dates
Co-Chair, Task Force for 3 rd Edition <i>Neonatal Nurses Scope and Standards of Practice</i> , National Association of Neonatal Nurses	2019 – 2021
Chair, Task Force for revision of <i>Neonatal Nurse Practitioner Education and Curriculum Guidelines</i> , National Association of Neonatal Nurses	2016 – 2018 Published 2018
Chair, Nominating Committee	2006
Immediate Past President	2004 - 2005
President	2003 - 2004
President Elect	2001 - 2002
Board of Directors, Secretary	1999 - 2000
Board of Directors, Director at Large	1999 - 2000
Chair, National Program Planning Committee	1993 - 1995

National Program Planning Committee Member	1992 - 1993
Mentor, NANN Emerging Leaders Program	2016 - 2017

Front Range Association of Neonatal Nurses:

Position	Dates
President	2012 - 2017
Program Planning Committee	2006 – 2016

National Certification Corporation (NCC):

Position	Dates
Director, Test Development	2016 - Present
President, Board of Directors	2014 - 2015
Vice President, Board of Directors	2012 - 2013
Director at Large, Board of Directors	2008 - 2015
Nominating Committee	2004 – 2005, 2008 - 2011
NCC Test Committee Member	1994 – 1997
Maternal Newborn Exam	2012 - 2016

Sigma Theta Tau International:

Alpha Kappa Chapter at Large

Position	Dates
President	2023-2024
Vice President	2017-2023
School Counselor, LHSON	2013 - 2016
Alpha Kappa Chapter at Large	
Vice President	2019-2021
Alpha Kappa Chapter at Large	

Service

Service to the University

Provost Search Committee	2023
Institutional Review Board (IRB)	2012 - 2019

Service to Rueckert-Hartman College for Health Professions

Search Committee, Associate Dean, Division of Counseling and Marriage and Family Therapy	2022
Academic Integrity Board	2017 - 2019
Quality and Evaluation Committee	2011 - 2015

Service to Loretto Heights College of Nursing

Committees

Post Licensure Curriculum Committee	2012 - 2019
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Chair	2016 - 2019
Chair Elect	2015
LHSON Faculty Search Committee	2012, 2013, 2016, 2017, 2018
LHSON Dean Search Committee	2014 - 2016
Quality and Evaluation Committee	2010 - 2011
Service to Students	
Student Advising, NNP Students	2011 - 2019
Oral Comprehensive Panel, MS Leadership and NNP students	2012- 2020
Mentor for Master of Science Nursing Leadership student: Education Focus	Spring, 2016
Recommendation letters for students (8-10/year)	2011 - 2020
DNP Project Proposals and Final Defense Panel Member	2014 - 2020
DNP Project Chair	2016 - 2019
Gladstone, E. (2019). <i>Determining Barriers to Care in the Obese Hispanic Population.</i>	
Jesina, D. (2019). <i>Comparison of Neonate's Positioning in Snuggle Up Wraps prior to and Following Nursing Education.</i>	

Service to the Community

Christ Episcopal Church Altar Guild	2005 – Present
Christ Episcopal Church, Greeter	2024
Bible Study Fellowship International: Children's Leader and Assistant Children's Supervisor	2004 - 2019
9 Health Fair	2019, 2018, 2015, 2014, 2012
Project Homeless Connect	2017, 2015, 2013, 2011
Boy Scouts of America Merit Badge Counselor	2000 - 2016

Teaching Responsibilities

Course Name	Course Number	Semester	Responsibility
Theoretical application for the DNP	NR701	Summer, 2020, 2023 Summer 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014 Fall, 2012, 2013	Course Resource Faculty (CRF), Teaching

Professional Integration	NR 651	Spring, 2020 Spring, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2013, 2011	Course Resource Faculty (CRF), Teaching
DNP Project	NR 706 A, B, C	Spring 2019 Fall 2018 Spring 2017 Summer 2016 Fall, 2015	Teaching
Management of the High- Risk Newborn	NR 656	Fall, 2018, 2016, 2014, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2006, 2004	Teaching, CRF
Neonatal Pharmacology for Advanced Practice	NR 607	Summer, 2018, 2016, 2014, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2006	Teaching, CRF
Health Assessment for the NNP	NR 652	Spring, 2018, 2016, 2014, 2012, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2006	Teaching, CRF Lab
Genetics for the NNP	NR 653	Fall, 2018, 2017, 2015, 2013, 2011, 2009, 2007, 2005, Spring, 2004	Teaching, CRF, new course development
Clinical Integration, NNP	NR 657	Spring 2017, 2015, 2013, 2011, 2009, 2007, 2005	Teaching, CRF
Advanced Application of Research for Evidence Based Practice	NR 602	Fall, 2015	Teaching
Applications to Practice	NR 715, NR 725	Fall, Spring, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011	Teaching, CRF
Theoretical Frameworks and Leadership for APN	NR 600	Summer, 2018 Summer, 2017 Fall, 2017	Teaching
Advanced Practice Roles and Concepts	NR 640	Fall, 2015, 2011, 2009, 2007, 2005 Spring, 2004, 2005	Teaching

Nursing Theory	NR 601	Fall, 2014, Fall, 2011	Teaching
Pharmacology	NR 406	Fall, 2017, Spring 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 Summer, 2012, 2013	Teaching
Pathophysiology	NR 405	Spring 2014, Summer 2013, 2014	Teaching
Advanced NNP Procedures	NR 654	Fall, 2013, 2011, 2009	Teaching, CRF