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Title: Collaboration in an Outpatient Clinic Setting: Strengthening Care for Patients

<u>Purpose:</u> Many states require some form of collaborative relationship between Advanced Practice Nurses and physicians. Advanced Practice Providers (APNs and PAs) in a large multispecialty group practice in Wisconsin were interviewed to identify the extent of collaboration and the relationship to job satisfaction. Recommendations to improve collaboration and satisfaction are provided based on this study.

**Objective 1:** Discuss literature related to collaborative practice.

<u>Objective 2:</u> Identify sources or satisfaction and dissatisfaction among Advanced Practice Providers in one large Midwestern clinic system.

<u>Objective 3:</u> Discuss recommendations for improving collaborative practice and teamwork among health care workers.

## Abstract:

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