NAPNAP Position Statement Format

A position statement should not exceed two pages in length, excluding references (occasional exceptions).

In order that position statements be uniform, the following format is used:

• Title

• Brief opening statement, limited to one paragraph. The first sentence is a clear statement for or against whatever we are taking a ‘position’ on. The following sentences further describe our position and provide the necessary background and rationale.

• Further explanation of the issue. The position statement may be an advocacy position, an informational position, or a position designed to raise awareness or promote discussion of the issue. This section should include related goals and objectives and any actions NAPNAP will take related to the issue. Goals and objectives are often in a bulleted list.

• Brief summary statement

• Brief statement at the end of the statement describing who NAPNAP is and our mission statement.

• Current references using APA format (Within last 5 years unless seminal article)

• Date developed/reviewed/affirmed/revised with copyright statement and acknowledgement of contributors.

• Automatic retirement statement*

* All regular position statements from the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners automatically expire 5 years after publication unless reaffirmed, revised, or retired at or before that time.

* All priority position statements from the National Association of Pediatric Nurse Practitioners automatically expire 3 years after publication unless reaffirmed, revised, or retired at or before that time.