



Penn College at Wellsboro **Practical Nursing Program**

Nursing is an art and a progressive science dedicated to the betterment of human welfare. Its aim is to assist the individual or family in the prevention of illness, restoration to health, adaptation to long-term illness, and provision for comfort when return to health is no longer possible. Practical nursing education is a process through which a student acquires knowledge, skills, attitudes, and judgment to provide safe nursing care under the direction of a licensed professional nurse (RN), licensed physician (MD/DO), or a licensed dentist (DDS).

Penn College at Wellsboro's Practical Nursing curriculum provides the knowledge base and experience necessary to become a safe practitioner, operating as a member of the healthcare team, sharing in the care of patients within the accepted scope of the licensed practical nurse (LPN).

Graduates of the program will be eligible to take the Practical Nursing National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN) for licensure in the State of Pennsylvania as an LPN and be prepared to seek employment in multiple healthcare settings. These include nursing homes, hospitals, assisted living facilities, physician offices and clinics, and home care agencies.

The full-time, clock-hour program is scheduled over the course of one calendar year with classes and clinical held Monday to Thursday, with every other Friday morning. Students begin the first week of January and graduate early in December. The program is divided into three levels of instruction for a total of 1,504 hours. The calendar includes the day off for the following holidays: Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, and Thanksgiving. Clinical experiences take place at multiple regional healthcare facilities. Some travel is required to clinical locations.

CURRICULUM

Level I 496 Hours

HSC 500:
Anatomy &
Physiology (96)

HSC 501:
Fundamentals
of Practical
Nursing (400)

Level II 496 Hours

HSC 502:
Nursing Care of
Adult and Child I

Level III: 512 Hours

HSC 503:
Nursing Care of
Adult and Child II



Admissions Requirements

17 years of age or older.

Graduate of an accredited high school or Pennsylvania GED equivalency. Recommended high school subjects include three years of science and four years of English, social studies, and math (including algebra).

Satisfactory performance on the TEAS pre-entrance assessment exam. Applications for the Practical Nursing program will be provided to prospective students after satisfactory performance is achieved on the TEAS exam.

Complete an admission application with \$50 nonrefundable fee.

Two letters of character reference with writer's name, address, and telephone number.

Complete satisfactory 3 background checks; information will be provided at orientation how to obtain these checks.

Interview with the program coordinator.

Health screening measures are required for students who are, or will be, enrolled in the Practical Nursing program. Continuation in the Practical Nursing curriculum is conditional until health requirements are met.

Scholastic Requirements

Penn College at Wellsboro stresses excellence in all areas of the Practical Nursing program. Students must receive a 78% or better in all nursing classes and in the clinical/lab area in order to successfully complete program requirements.

Attendance is mandatory at all classes and clinical.

Program Costs and Financial Aid

Please contact our office for current tuition costs. A \$350 nonrefundable tuition deposit is due within two weeks after notification of acceptance. This deposit will be applied to the full tuition fee. The balance is due 10 working days prior to the first day of class. In addition to tuition, students are responsible for all other costs including student uniforms, health exam and immunizations, liability insurance, supplies, travel expenses, and personal costs. All fees are subject to change. For further information regarding financial planning and refunds, contact Penn College at Wellsboro. Financial aid information for this program is available at www.pct.edu/admissions/clock.

FULL PROGRAM APPROVAL BY:

PA State Board of Nursing PO Box 2649
Harrisburg, PA 16105

PRACTICAL NURSING TRANSFER OPTIONS

Licensed graduates of this program are eligible for advanced placement in Penn College's Associate Degree Nursing (RN) program.

For more information on the credit program, visit www.pct.edu/nursing or call 570-327-4519

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