



## PRATT COMMUNITY COLLEGE NURSING PROGRAM TALKING POINTS Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) & Practical Nursing (PN)

### ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING (ADN) PROGRAM

- **Reinstatement of ADN Program:** Pratt Community College (PCC) requested and was granted approval by the Kansas State Board of Nursing (KSBN) on March 29, 2017, to voluntarily cease admissions to the ADN Program for one year. Enrollment postponement for the ADN Program occurred across all delivery modalities for the 2017-2018 academic year. During that time, ADN faculty participated in numerous hours of professional development and performed a complete evaluation and restructuring of the ADN Program.

A restructuring team was developed which included two full-time ADN faculty members. Consultants from Assessment Technology Institute (ATI) guided the curriculum development process. The revised ADN curriculum may be found on the PCC website at <http://prattcc.edu/sites/default/files/pdfs/nursing-curriculum-flyer.pdf>.

In March 2018, KSBN approved reinstatement of the ADN Program for fall 2018. Currently, 30 students are enrolled in the ADN Program for fall 2018.

- **NCLEX®:** The National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX®) is the national licensing examination for practical (PN) and registered nurses (RN). Quarterly and cumulative passage rates for *first time test takers* are calculated and published by a contracted testing service.

The NCLEX® National Average passage rate is the average number of all *first time test takers* for a reporting period, calculated by the National Testing Service using the test takers' scores during the reporting period, to determine the average of the conglomerate scores.

Individuals who do not take the licensure examination within 24 months after graduation must petition KSBN in writing before being allowed to take the licensure examination. Students who do not pass the examination may retest no more than every 45 days. If the individual fails to pass the examination within 24 months after graduation, the individual must petition the KSBN in writing before being allowed to retake the licensure examination.

- **Success with Retakes:** While the 2016 ADN class NCLEX-RN® annual pass rate for first time test takers is 31.25%, the 2016 NCLEX-RN® pass rate after retakes is 100%. The 2018 NCLEX-RN® annual pass rate for first time test takers is 83.33%. Students who began the ADN Program this fall will begin NCLEX-RN® testing in May 2019.
- **Quality Assurance Accountability Measures:** PCC administration and faculty will validate program effectiveness through the following Program Outcomes:
  1. **Performance on Licensure Exam:** The most recent annual licensure examination pass rate must be at least 80% for all first time test-takers during the same 12-month period.
  2. **Program Completion:** The Program Completion rate will be  $\geq 75\%$ . Program Completion rate equals the number of students enrolled in the program at certification date, of the first nursing theory course, who completed the program within 150% of the time (i.e., 3 semesters).

**3. Graduate Program Satisfaction:** Graduates of a given class returning the post-graduation evaluation will rate the nursing program at a mean of 3 or better on a 4-point Likert scale (with 1 being unsatisfactory and 4 being very good).

**4. Employer Program Satisfaction:** Graduates of a given class, who pass NCLEX® and are employed as an RN, will receive a mean rating, on the student learning outcomes, of 3 or better on a Likert scale of 1 - 4 (with 1 being poor and 4 being very good) by those employers returning the employer evaluation.

**5. Job Placement Rates:** Of those graduates who pass NCLEX® and seek employment as an RN, 90% will be offered a registered nurse position within 1 year after graduation.

- **Restoring Quality Commitment:** PCC is committed to delivering quality academic programs and services to students and stakeholders. The Board of Trustees and administration are driven to restore quality to the ADN Program. The Board of Trustees was recognized numerous times by KSBN for their dedication and support of nursing education during this challenging time.
- **Locations:** ADN cohorts will be offered on the online and face-to-face on Pratt and Winfield campuses.

### PRACTICAL NURSING (PN) PROGRAM

- **Pass Rates Exceed KSBN Requirement:** The KSBN requires nursing programs to maintain an annual first time candidates' pass rate on licensure examination of 75% or greater.
- **Benchmark Met:** PCC's PN Program has consistently met the above criterion for over five years and attained this goal for 2017.
- **Pass Rates at 90.91%:** PCC's PN Program NCLEX-PN® first time pass rate for 2017 is 90.91% which is above KSBN's requirement.
- **Locations:** PN cohorts will be offered on the Pratt and Winfield campuses.

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