



APPRENTICESHIP PROGRAM OUTLINE

Licensed Vocational Nurse WORK PROCESSES & SKILLS

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- Administer prescribed medications or start intravenous fluids, noting times and amounts on patients' charts.
- Observe patients, charting and reporting changes in patients' conditions, such as adverse reactions to medication or treatment, and taking any necessary action.
- Answer patients' calls and determine how to assist them.
- Measure and record patients' vital signs, such as height, weight, temperature, blood pressure, pulse, or respiration.
- Provide basic patient care or treatments, such as taking temperatures or blood pressures, dressing wounds, treating bedsores, giving enemas or douches, rubbing with alcohol, massaging, or performing catheterizations.
- Work as part of a healthcare team to assess patient needs, plan and modify care, and implement interventions.
- Supervise nurses' aides or assistants.
- Evaluate nursing intervention outcomes, conferring with other healthcare team members as necessary.
- Assemble and use equipment, such as catheters, tracheotomy tubes, or oxygen suppliers.
- Record food and fluid intake and output.
- Collect samples, such as blood, urine, or sputum from patients, and perform routine laboratory tests on samples.
- Prepare patients for examinations, tests, or treatments and explain procedures.
- Help patients with bathing, dressing, maintaining personal hygiene, moving in bed, or standing and walking.
- Apply compresses, ice bags, or hot water bottles.
- Sterilize equipment and supplies, using germicides, sterilizer, or autoclave.
- Make appointments, keep records, or perform other clerical duties in doctors' offices or clinics.
- Provide medical treatment or personal care to patients in private home settings, such as cooking, keeping rooms orderly, seeing that patients are comfortable and in good spirits, or instructing family members in simple nursing tasks.
- Set up equipment and prepare medical treatment rooms.
- Prepare or examine food trays for conformance to prescribed diet.
- Wash and dress bodies of deceased persons.
- Inventory and requisition supplies and instruments.
- Clean rooms and make beds.
- Assist in delivery, care, or feeding of infants.

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Licensed Vocational Nurse RELATED INSTRUCTION

Apprentices shall satisfactorily complete prescribed courses of related and supplemental instruction, which will not be less than **144 hours per year**. Related and supplemental instruction will be provided by Community Colleges. Time spent in related and supplemental instruction may not be compensated. The following related training outline identifies subject matter that must be mastered by the Apprentice (although not necessarily in the order listed) in order to successfully complete the program. While working, apprentices must complete a minimum of 144 hours of instruction per year. Leading up to on-the-job learning, apprentices may frontload the related instruction as full-time students. Based on previous education and experience, apprentices may need all or a portion of the RSI track.

Related Instruction Content May Include

FUNDAMENTALS OF NURSING	54 HOURS
BEGINNING MEDICAL-SURGICAL NURSING	72 HOURS
BEGINNING NURSING SKILLS/CLINICAL SIMULATION	45 HOURS
ADVANCED NURSING SKILLS/CLINICAL SIMULATION	54 HOURS
INTERMEDIATE MEDICAL-SURGICAL NURSING	162 HOURS
ADVANCED MEDICAL-SURGICAL NURSING	126 HOURS
LEADERSHIP FOR THE VOCATIONAL NURSE	54 HOURS
GROWTH / DEVELOPMENT: PSYCHOLOGY ADULT-GERIATRIC	18 HOURS
GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE CHILD	18 HOURS
CRITICAL THINKING AND THE NURSING PROCESS I	18 HOURS
CRITICAL THINKING AND THE NURSING PROCESS II	18 HOURS
MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH NURSING	72 HOURS
MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH NURSING LABORATORY	108 HOURS



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