



Welcome to the Certificate of Practical Nursing Program

Congratulations to your acceptance to the nursing program. We look forward to working with all of you! Here are important notes for you to remember:

- **Nursing scrub uniform is a hunter green top with white pants and white shoes. Socks are required. NCCC patch will be sewn on left sleeve arm—no glue or pins!**
- **You are required to be in uniform for the Skills Laboratory on the first week of school**
- **Health and Professional Requirements**
To protect the health of all North Country Community College (NCCC) members and the patients you serve, NCCC and our clinical partners require students to fulfill certain health requirements. **All nurse students** are expected to submit their health records and professional requirements to the NCCC Nursing Program at the address below. Please contact Mrs. Lori Bennett, Clinical Coordinator with questions prior to May 15th, 2019. Faculty will be available on a limited basis during the summer months. Please expect a 48-72-hour response for all inquiries.

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All submissions must be sent by **U.S. Mail** and **postmarked on or before July 15, 2019**.
Students are required to keep a copy all materials submitted for their records.

Please mail your completed packet to:

North Country Community College
 Nursing Program- Medical Records
 23 Santanoni Avenue
 PO Box 89
 Saranac Lake, NY 12983

Failure to submit the materials listed below in the specified timeframe may result in your acceptance to the nursing program being rescinded.

Immunizations and Professional Requirements

- The vaccines below are to be reported by your physician on the **Student Immunization Record Form** (in packet).

REQUIRED:

1. MMR vaccine (required) given twice (**two doses**)

OR

2. Measles (Rubeola) (required in the absence of MMR). Two doses or immune titer is acceptable in lieu of the vaccine. Attach a copy of the immune titer report **or** copy of vaccine record.
3. Mumps (required in the absence of MMR) one dose or immune titer is acceptable in lieu of the vaccine. Attach a copy of immune titer report or copy of vaccine record.
4. Rubella (German measles) (required in the absence of MMR). One dose. Please attach a copy of the immune titer report or copy of vaccine record.

- Meningococcal vaccine (recommended but not required). One dose within the last five years. You must fill out and submit the Student Immunization Record Form indicating the date of the vaccine or your decision to waive the vaccine.
- Varicella vaccine (required). Two doses: Attach a medical document with the dates of the vaccines **or** attach a copy of the immune titer report. Complete and submit Varicella (Chicken Pox) and Zoster (Shingles) form (attached).
- Hepatitis B vaccine (recommended but not required). Three doses: Attach a medical document with the dates of the vaccines **or** attach a copy of the immune titer report.
- Influenza vaccine (recommended not required; annual each Fall Semester)
Students who elect not to receive the vaccine will be required to wear a mask in all patient care areas.
- Physical Examination Must be a current Physical. **Any physical completed prior to May 15th, 2019 will not be accepted.**
- ❖ See the attached form which includes history, proof of Tetanus and Pertussis vaccine. (i.e. Tdap within the last ten years) and 2 part PPD status. PPD (PPD/Mantoux/TB Tine) due yearly.
 - ❖ Two Step PPD
2 PPDs with negative reading are required within one year.
 - If this is your first PPD you are required to complete a two-step exam. One exam with a negative reading and a retest in 1-3 weeks
 - If you have had a PPD within the year please provide a copy along with your updated PPD.
 Any positive PPD/allergic reaction requires a negative chest x-ray. The chest x-ray is required every 2 years or Quantiferon Gold blood test yearly.

- Confidentiality of Health Information Form
Please read, sign, and date. Return the attached Confidentiality of Health Information Form with all other required materials.
- CPR Requirements for Nursing Students
All practical nurse and registered nurse students must have a current CPR certification. **Failure to maintain current certification may result in loss of scheduled clinical experience.**

The only accepted courses are:

American Heart Association: BLS for the Healthcare Provider

Red Cross: CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer and Healthcare Provider

- Student Professional Liability Insurance
All students admitted to the Associate Degree Nursing Program are **required** to provide proof of student nurse professional liability insurance in the amounts of: **\$1,000,000.00 for each claim and \$6,000,000.00 aggregate** and maintain coverage for the length of the program.
One affordable option for professional liability insurance is the Nurses Service Organization. Please contact NSO at www.nso.com. Once purchased, provide a copy of the **Certificate of Insurance** (an email with the certificate will be sent 24 hours after payment) **not** proof of payment please. When applying for liability insurance be certain to request insurance coverage as a first year Practical Nurse student. **If you are under the age of 18, you will need to request a paper application to process.**

Thank you.
NCCC Nursing Department