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### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Hospitals
- Extended care facilities
- Physician's office
- Clinics
- Private duty
- Home Health

### IT'S A FACT:

Nearly 70% of Washington State students receive financial aid.

**The Practical Nursing program is fully approved by the Ohio Board of Nursing, and provides an excellent foundation for Associate Degree Nursing or Bachelor of Science degrees in Nursing (B.S.N.).**

**Washington State Community College also offers courses that may transfer to BSN programs.**

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## Practical Nursing Education

### THE PROGRAM:

Practical nursing is an integral part of nursing practice. Graduates of the Practical Nursing program at Washington State Community College are prepared, under the guidance of a registered nurse or licensed physician, to function as responsible members of the health care team. Practical Nurses collaborate with Registered Nurses and physicians in the planning and delivery of direct nursing care in acute and long-term care facilities as well as other community settings. The Certificate of Practical Nursing Education provides classroom and clinical experiences to prepare graduates to become exemplary members of the healthcare team. Graduates of the Practical Nursing Program are eligible to take the National Council Licensure Exam for Practical Nursing (NCLEX-PN).

### CAREER SKILLS:

Practical Nurses are concerned with basic therapeutic, rehabilitative and preventative care for people of all ages and cultures. The Practical Nurse (PN) participates in assessing, planning, implementing and evaluating the client's response to health care interventions, and demonstrates competencies identified by the National League of Nursing (2010). In addition to knowledge gained in nursing courses, graduates of a Practical Nursing Program gain valuable career skills for the healthcare environment. The graduate will demonstrate competence, caring and clinical judgment skills in providing safe, effective nursing care. The graduate will also demonstrate personal behaviors consistent with professional and employer expectations for the practical nurse.

### ADMISSION:

Admission to the Practical Nursing program is based on a first-qualified, first-accepted procedure. Students must complete all requirements listed in the admissions packet and submit them prior to the deadline. General admission into the college does not grant admission into the program, but general admission into the college is required for program admission.

### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:

1. Complete application for admission to Washington State Community College.
2. Must be a high school graduate or possess a GED certificate.
3. Submit an official high school transcript or GED certificate, and official transcripts from any college(s) attended.
4. Complete application form for the Practical Nursing Program
5. Submit **ACT** or **SAT** scores, or submit **TEAS** Entrance Exam scores (ACT of 20 or higher required [ACT Superscoring, not accepted]; or SAT of 1050 or higher on verbal and math components; TEAS Exam score of 63.3 or greater.)  
ACT/SAT/TEAS not required for applicants with a Bachelor's degree.
6. Provide **three (3) non-family** references.
7. High School Algebra II or higher with a "C" or higher.
8. High School Biology or higher with a "C" or higher.
9. High School Chemistry or higher with a "C" or higher.
10. Complete **ENGL 1510** (or equivalent) with a "C" or above prior to entry into the program.
11. **GPA of 2.3 or higher** when applying and upon program entry.