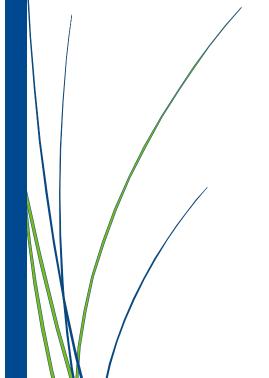# LPN Refresher Requirements Booklet

Performance Requirements

The following are examples of activities that you will be required to perform in order to successfully complete any Nursing program:

1. Critical Thinking: Possess critical thinking ability sufficient for clinical and class judgment. Example: You must be able to identify cause and affect relationships in clinical situations, participate in development of nursing care plans, etc.

2. Ethical Behavior: Provide services with respect for human dignity and the uniqueness of the patient/client unrestricted by consideration of socioeconomic status, personal attributes, or the nature of health problems. Example: You will care for patients/clients assigned regardless of race, gender, religion, or diagnosis.

3. Legal Behavior: Provide care within the scope of practice as stated in the North Carolina Nursing Practice Act. Example: You will learn to assess the patient's /client's physical and mental health.

4. Interpersonal Skills: Possess interpersonal abilities sufficient to interact with individuals, families, groups, etc. from a variety of psychosocial cultural backgrounds. Example: You will establish rapport with patients/clients and health care team members by behaving in a professional, courteous manner.

5. Communication Skills: Possess communication abilities sufficient for verbal and nonverbal interaction with others. Example: You will be able to clearly explain treatment procedures to patients/clients/family, document patient/client responses, and report to others regarding nursing care.

6. Mobility: Possess physical abilities sufficient to move from room to room and maneuver in small spaces, stand and walk for extended periods of time. Example: You will be able to ambulate within the room; transfer patients; assist with procedures.

7. Motor Skills: Possess gross and fine motor skills sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care. Example: You will be able to calibrate equipment, position patients/clients, administer injections, etc.

8. Hearing Skills: Possess auditory ability sufficient to monitor health needs and collect data. Example: You will be able to listen to other alarms, listen to heart and breath sounds, and hear a cry for help as well as identify pitch differences on Doppler applications.

9. Visual Skills: Possess visual ability sufficient for observation and data collection. Example: You will be able to observe color of skin and read scale on a syringe.

10. Tactile Skills: Possess tactile ability sufficient for data collection. Example: You will be able to detect pulsation and feel skin temperature.

11. Weight Bearing: Possess the ability to lift and manipulate/move 40-50 pounds. Example: You will be able to move equipment, position patients, etc.

Licensed Practical Nursing Refresher Admission Process

Phase I: Complete your SPCC Admissions File

Complete the SPCC **Application for Admissions**
Must be within last year or general education course taken at SPCC within last year.

Phase II Application Submission

Step 1. Go to the LPN Refresher Webpage and click on the Phase II LPN Refresher application.

Step 2. Complete the Phase II application fully by answering all questions.

Step 3. Collect and attach:

☐ Copy/verification of Practical Nursing license

Step 4. Submit completed Phase II application and copy/verification of Practical Nursing License to health admissions - healthadmissions@spcc.edu by the deadline published on the website.

Frequently Asked Questions

When are students admitted into the Practical Nursing Refresher program?

- Students are admitted during the fall and /or spring semester depending on the interest.
- Notification of acceptance/regrets will be mailed within one month of the deadline.
- There is no waitlist and selection is based on first come first serve basis.
- **All health programs have limited seats.**
- If all seats are not filled, the application period may be extended. Any extension will be posted on www.spcc.edu.

How is the program structured?

- The program is a semester long program consisting of an online class portion and a clinical portion that will be completed.
- The class portion of the program will be completed online and will count for 12 credit hours. The clinical portion will be 144 hours.
- Clinical hours can be completed in (18) 8 hours shifts or (12) 12 hour shifts.
- Students will be placed at clinical sites by the program director.
  - In order to receive licensure from the NCBON, the clinical portion of this program must be completed at a skilled facility or hospital located in North Carolina.

Will I be required to visit the campus?

- Students will be required to visit the campus once for a mandatory orientation session and skills assessment.

Is this program Financial Aid eligible?

- This program is not eligible for financial aid assistance as it is the program does not meet the minimum credit hours required to be eligible for financial aid assistance. However, various loans or scholarships may be available. Contact SPCC's Financial Aid Department, finaid@spcc.edu, for information.

Can I be admitted into the program with charges/disciplinary action against my LPN license?

- South Piedmont Community College cannot deny admittance to any student who has completed all required admissions items. However, clinical placement may be difficult and a conversation will need to be had with the program director before admittance into the program.

How will I know if I am accepted into the Practical Nursing Refresher program?

Within one month of the program application deadline, you will receive notification of your provisional acceptance by mail. **ONCE YOU RECEIVE THIS LETTER**, you *must*:

- Complete any steps listed in your provisional acceptance letter by the deadline.

Accreditation Statements

The Practical Nursing Refresher program is approved by the North Carolina Board of Nursing. Contact the Board of Nursing at P.O. Box 2129, Raleigh, NC 27602-2129 or 4516 Lake Boone Trail, Raleigh, NC 27607 or call 919-782-3211 for questions about the approved program.

SPCC is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate degrees, diplomas, and certificates.

Disclosure Statements

- Courses for this program are held online and/or at your assigned clinical location.
- Healthcare Provider CPR will be required by the start of the semester if accepted to program.
- Accepted applicants may be required to complete a criminal background check and a drug screen. Costs are the responsibility of the student. Based on the criminal background check and drug screen results, hospitals or clinical facilities where onsite training is conducted may deny you access to their facility, resulting in your inability to complete the clinical portion of the program. If you are unable to complete the clinical training, you will be unable to progress in the program; resulting in your removal from the program.
- Tattoos covered while in clinical, unless approved by the Program Director. Facial piercings are considered body piercings and are not allowed. The only exception to this rule is a stud nose piercing or stud eyebrow piercing. These must be covered with a clear retainer at all times during clinical.

Availability of Disability Services

SPCC provides ongoing services that encourage students with disabilities to integrate themselves into all aspects of college life. The Disability Services provider are available to assist with registration counseling, academic advisement and arrangements for appropriate accommodation(s). Reasonable accommodations are established on an individual basis. Students must provide documentation for a disability form a physician or other licensed professional in order to establish eligibility for services. Please email counselors@spcc.edu for assistance.

SPCC Practical Nursing Refresher Estimated Cost

This is an ESTIMATE of costs. Fees are subject to change.

General Tuition and Fees		
In State		$76.00/credit hour
Out-of-State		$268.00/credit hour
Technology Fee		$24.00/semester
Student Insurance		$1.40/semester
Student Assessment Fee		$16.00/semester
Student Activity Fee		$17.50 =1-6 credit hrs $35.00 =7-16 credit hrs
Total General Fees		**$76.40**
Semester 1	**In-State**	**Out-of-State**
Pre-entrance physical exam, all immunizations (as listed on health form), two (2) - TB Skin Tests	Varies	Varies
Tuition	$912.00	$3216.00
Health Course Fee	$15.00	$15.00
Textbooks	$450.00	$450.00
Lab/Clinical Fee	$50.00	$50.00
Liability Insurance	$13.00	$13.00
General Fees	$76.40	$76.40
Clinical Compliance Expenses	$127.00	$127.00
Total Semester 1	**$1643.40**	**$3947.40**

Estimated Total Cost	**$1643.40**	**$3947.40**

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