

Southeast Community College

RN/LPN Refresher Course Information

The RN/LPN refresher course will be offered at Southeast Community College, Lincoln Campus, usually starting in August and February. Normally it is scheduled to meet Tuesdays evenings from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. The course includes lecture, group discussions, presentations, computer projects, and lab experience. Unit exams, assigned projects, skills lab, and clinical evaluations are used to ascertain grades. RN's and LPN's meet together for most of the course sessions. A portion of this course will be online so you will need access to Internet. You can come to the college and use the computers in our library if you wish.

The RN course contains a total of 120 contact hours of classroom/lab time. The LPN course contains 110 contact hours of classroom/lab time.

Cost will be \$725 for RNs and
 \$665 for LPNS

100% refunds will only be given if you drop the class before it starts. Refunds after the start of class will be at the discretion of the Director.

Clinical portion of this course will begin approximately midway through the lecture portion. Cost for this portion will be \$275 for both RNs and LPNs. This cost includes the fee for a criminal background check and liability insurance.

The clinical course requires 90 hours of clinical time. You will have 26 hours of clinical as a group and 64 hours with a preceptor.

The 26 hours will be spread over 4 sessions and we will announce those dates at the beginning of class. Tentatively the hours for clinical will be 3 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Our clinical site will be at a facility in Lincoln.

The additional 64 hours of clinical will be done on an individual basis with each student working with a RN preceptor, who will supervise the student. The preceptor and the student will set up a schedule of clinical hours which will be mutually agreeable and which follow the preceptor's schedule. Clinical hours can be performed in any health care setting that requires an RN/LPN and is involved in direct patient care. The site must have a RN who can be your preceptor.

We need you to complete the information sheet enclosed and set up an interview session with SCC staff. We will be discussing your preference of sites for clinical, your past experience as a nurse, and any other issues that may affect your ability to complete this portion of the course.

You will be allowed to register for the refresher course after we have come up with a plan that is satisfactory to both SCC and you. We have agreements with many facilities in Lincoln, Omaha, and surrounding communities where these hours can be completed. You will need approval from the SCC Continuing Education Health Director for any site that we do not currently have an agreement with. E-mail at jwalsh@southeast.edu or call 402-437-2706 for an appointment.

To be able to reinstate your nursing license, you must successfully complete the lecture, lab, and clinical portions of this course.

Before calling for an appointment with SCC, please call Nebraska Health and Human Services office to be sure that a refresher course is what you need to reinstate your license. Don't delay the call because it can be a time consuming process. The contact person is Angela at 402-471-2666. If you do qualify to reinstate your license with a refresher course, request that they send you an application to reinstate your license.

A temporary permit to practice nursing in Nebraska is needed to complete the clinical portion of this course. It is your responsibility to confirm with Nebraska Health and Human Services office that you will be able to obtain a temporary permit to practice nursing in Nebraska by the time we get to the clinical portion of our course.

If your original license is not from Nebraska or you have had an out of state license, this will increase the time necessary to confirm that you qualify for a temporary permit. You do not need the temporary permit when the course starts, just the assurance from the State that you are eligible for one. If you complete the didactic portion of the class, and you find that you are unable to obtain a temporary permit only the cost of the clinical portion of this course will be refunded.

Before any clinical hours can begin you will need:

Copy of a Current CPR Healthcare Provider Card

- From either American Red Cross or American Heart Association
(NO other cards will be accepted)

SCC Immunization Record Completed and Signed by Your Physician

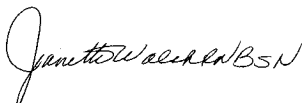
- Must have started the Hepatitis series, have a current TB test, have proof of immunity for measles, mumps, rubeola, rubella, and chicken pox or immunization proof and have Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis in past 10 years. (Forms available from SCC)

We offer CPR classes year round on the Lincoln Campus. For information about SCC CPR courses, please call 402-437-2701 or check online at www.southeast.edu. Click on Continuing Education.

Please begin working on these two requirements as soon as you decide you will be enrolling.

Southeast Community College is now requiring criminal background checks on students taking courses that include experience in patient care settings. Upon enrolling in the refresher course, you will be required to complete an "Authorization and Disclosure Form" and "Abuse Registry Form." A non-refundable fee of \$45 for the criminal background check has been added to the cost of the clinical portion of this course. If your criminal background check indicates that you have a criminal history, you may be prohibited from participating in the course and your money will be refunded minus the \$45 fee.

If you are in need of financial assistance for this course, you may try your local workforce development office or we do have a loan program called FACTS available at SCC. You will need to contact our cashier's office at 402-437-2669 for more information about that program.



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**Southeast Community College
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Name: _____ RN _____ LPN

Address: _____ Today's Date: _____

Phone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

What is the status of your nursing license? (circle one) current inactive lapsed

How many years has it been since you last practiced in a clinical setting? _____

How many years did you practice nursing? _____

What clinical areas have you practiced in and when?

What skills and/or knowledge do you feel you need the most review?

In what facility are you interested in completing your clinical time (consider choosing a site in which you are interested in securing employment)?

What shift are you interested in?

Do you have a potential job lined up now? Where?

How did you hear about the class?

What are you hoping to learn in this class?

Are you working outside the home now? Where?

How do you learn best?

How can we facilitate your learning experience?

Anything else you want us to know that may affect your ability to succeed in this class?