

# Program Information

## PROGRAM OF PRACTICAL NURSING

### Broome-Tioga BOCES

#### Philosophy of Practical Nursing

Nursing is both an art and a science, which addresses the health care needs of individuals, families, and communities.

The LPN is a vital member of today's health care team, working within the framework of the New York State Nurse Practice Act. The nursing process is used to deliver basic therapeutic, rehabilitative and preventative care to individuals of all ages and cultures. This plan of care is a systematic approach to resolve health problems and provides for:

1. The identification of patient needs.
2. The establishment of goals.
3. The implementation of nursing actions to maintain or restore health to optimal level of functioning and/or dignified death.
4. An evaluation of the effectiveness of nursing care.

#### General Subject Areas

Anatomy & Physiology  
Fundamentals of Nursing  
Geriatric Nursing  
Growth and Development  
Maternity Nursing  
Medical/Surgical Nursing

Mental Health Nursing  
Nutrition  
Pediatric Nursing  
Pharmacology Math  
Pharmacology Theory  
Professionalism in Nursing

#### Goals

Upon completion of the Broome-Tioga BOCES Program of Practical Nursing, the graduate will be able to:

1. Recognize the various psychosocial factors influencing the individual's health care.
2. Demonstrate an awareness of the ethical, moral and legal obligations of the practice of Practical Nursing.
3. Practice good health habits and promote basic individual and community health.
4. Demonstrate the knowledge of diseases necessary to understand, on a practical nurse level, patient needs presented by these conditions and using the nursing process, develop and implement a plan of care.
5. Perform at a technical level that assures the safe care of patients under the supervision of a registered nurse and/or physician.

#### Program Description

Broome Tioga BOCES has two programs:

1. **Part-time** evenings and weekends for 20 months starting every September. Classes are held 2-3 evenings per week from 5:30 PM - 9:30 PM. Clinical experience at local hospitals and nursing homes is held every other weekend from 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM.
2. **Full-time** day program of ten months with classes held Monday through Friday from 8 AM – 3:00 PM. Clinical experiences are during the week 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM.

Upon successful completion of the 1208-hour program, the Practical Nurse graduate is eligible to apply for the NCLEX-PN Exam and a New York State Practical Nurse License. The program is approved for financial aid by the Veteran's Administration, Pell Grants, and Federal Direct Education Loans.

#### Eligibility Requirements

The program is open to women and men who have a sincere interest in healthcare. Applicants must have good moral character, honesty, integrity and be in good physical and mental health. It is strongly recommended that each student have membership in a hospitalization insurance plan, since emergency care required during school hours must be paid for by the individual. There is a competitive admission process involved with the Practical Nurse Program resulting in the Selection Committee reviewing applications and selecting the most qualified applicants based on a scoring matrix.

## Estimated Costs

Living quarters are not provided by the school.

Tuition for 2022-23 school year was \$12,000 for full-time and \$6,300 for the first year of the part-time program. Tuition costs often rise slightly each year.

Book costs are included in tuition.

Advanced standing may be granted to qualified applicants on an individual basis.

Students may use Pell Grants, Federal Student Loans, VA benefits, ACCESS-VR, Workforce and/or Sallie Mae to help pay tuition.

### **Other costs not included in tuition and school costs:**

Uniforms and equipment:

- a watch with a sweep second hand
- hunter green scrubs (at least 2 sets)
- white shoes/sneakers impervious to fluids
- white lab/scrub coat
- stethoscope
- notebooks, pens, pencils, transportation and meals while in the clinical setting
- Bandage Scissors
- Non LED Pen Light
- Health insurance
- Computer/Printer Access
- Internet Access

Approximately \$350.

Physical exam, 2-step PPD or PPD annually if already working in healthcare plus immunization documentation of; Rubella, Rubeola, Varicella, Mumps, Hepatitis B, Adult Tdap, COVID vaccine(s) and Flu vaccine.

CPR Certification – Healthcare Provider/BLS, Red Cross, American Heart or ASHI (American Safety Health Institute)

Fee for NCLEX-PN, initial PN License and Permit in New York – approximately \$370.

**Note: All fees, expenses and maintenance costs are approximate and subject to change without notice.**

### Employment Opportunities

The demand for Licensed Practical Nurses is high, with a majority of opportunities available in nursing homes, clinics, doctor's offices and home health agencies. Other openings may be found in hospitals, private homes, schools and industries. Our pass rate is generally 90% or higher for the licensing exam, those who wanted to work within the field found jobs as LPNs.

Need more information?

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If further information is needed, the office is open 8:00 AM to 3:00 PM Monday through Friday.