

GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE
LPN – Quarterly Report
October – December 2011

- 1) The Practical Nursing program graduated 20 nursing students at the end of Fall Semester. The traditional nursing pinning ceremony was held December 12th at the Sheraton Resort, Guam.

- 2) As of December 2011, 30 of the 34 students in the 2010 class have taken the NCLEX-PN exam. 21 of the 30 students passed on first attempt (70%) and 9 students failed on first attempt (30%). 2 of the failing students passed on retake increasing the overall passing rate to 23 (77%). 4 students from the 2010 graduating group are still to take the exam which is a concern considering they graduated 12/2010. These 4 students have not been included in the percentages. It should be noted that the Allied Health Department, GCC did not offer an NCLEX-PN review class January 2011 like they did for the 2009 graduates and this has probably contributed to the lower passing rate. The plan is to hold NCLEX review January 2012, for 2011 Graduates.

- 3) Some of the 2010 students who passed the NCLEX-PN exam have relocated off island, and 99% of the remaining students have either employment in the field or are currently enrolled in nursing courses of higher education.

- 4) October 2011 20 Practical Nursing Students and Instructors volunteered their time in assisting TakeCare Insurance company with their Flu Immunization Clinic.

- 5) The certificate in Practical Nursing program prepares students to become Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN). LPNs work in a variety of settings such as hospitals, nursing homes, doctor's offices, home health care, public health departments, schools, and various government programs. Ideally they work under the supervision of Registered Nurses.
Students who successfully complete the three semester program will be eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). This exam is administered by the National Council on State Board of Nursing (NCSBN) and will enable students to earn a license in Practical Nursing.

- 6) Admissions to the LPN program includes: advisement from the Allied Health Department personnel, completion of the pre-nursing requirements, pre-entrance exam, nursing essay, and a health clearance.

- 7) The Guam Community College has an open door policy. Anyone has the right to apply and succeed. We are limited in number by Rules and Regulations of the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners, which, as do most states, limits the number of students accepted to 10 students for each instructor.

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