

GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE
LPN – Quarterly Report
October – December 2016

- 1) On December 14th, 18 students from the 2016 Practical Nursing Cohort successfully completed their PN requirements and will be conducting their pinning ceremony on the 15th of January at the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort. We are encouraging our students to take the NCLEX-PN exam within six months of graduation.
- 2) 2017 Practical Nursing cohort will begin in January with 25 students.
- 3) The current 2014 Practical Nursing NCLEX-PN pass rate is 71%.
- 4) Assisting our PN graduates to successfully pass the NCLEX-PN exam continues to remain a priority for our faculty and department. Recently, the faculty have attended training to assist them with utilizing and incorporating Assessment Technologies Institute's NCLEX test programs. We have are continuing with our efforts to update our curriculum to meet current standards and practice for nursing education and healthcare. We are determined to improve our current pass rate from 70% to at least 75% (the minimum requirement from the Guam Board of Nursing) with the current actionable improvement plans we have recently implemented for our program.
- 5) Reaching out to our graduates to encourage them to take the NCLEX-PN right away following graduation remains a challenge for our department. However, it is a challenge we are committed to improving. Contact updates and connections with local employers as well as the University has provided us with the opportunity to receive updates on our recent graduates as well as their progression in the community.
- 6) 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 on State Board of Nursing (NCSBN) and will enable students to earn a license in Practical Nursing.
- 7) Admissions to the LPN program includes: advisement from the Allied Health Department personnel, completion of the general education requirements, official transcript evaluations, pre-entrance exam, nursing essay, and a health clearance.
- 8) The Guam Community College has an open door policy. Anyone has the right to apply and succeed. We are limited by the 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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