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To: Prospective Student

From: Sheryl Allen, PhD, MSN, RN Dean, Division of Healthcare Education

Thank you for your interest in the Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) to Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Transition (Bridge) Program. This combined course focuses on updating and reinforcing information and skills previously learned in a practical nursing program. The course uses a fast track approach to assist the Practical Nurse student to articulate into the second year of the associate of applied science degree in nursing. The practical experience and competencies from the *Mississippi Curriculum Framework for Practical Nursing*[®] is submitted for the first course of nursing. The first semester of coursework includes a six hour nursing transition course. Upon successful completion of the course, the student will receive a total of 19 hours of credit.

The information in this application packet allows the student to apply to the <u>LPN to ADN Bridge</u> <u>Program</u>.

Documents included in this application packet are:

- 1. A memo to prospective student.
- 2. Admission requirements and acceptance criteria.
- 3. Instructions for application.
- 4. Application to the Healthcare Education Program.
- 5. Pre-entrance testing instructions.
- 6. Applicant checklist.
- 7. Practice problems for dosage calculations.
- 8. Employment history form.

If you have questions about any of the healthcare programs at ECCC, please call the Office of Healthcare Education at 601-635-6293.

***Please contact the financial aid office to apply for financial aid during the application process. Delay in financial aid request can delay the possibility of receiving benefits.

EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE ADMISSION OF LPN TO ADN NURSING STUDENTS

The Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) Program is designed to provide educational opportunities for qualified students desiring a career in nursing. The curriculum includes a balance of general education, nursing theory, and laboratory and clinical experiences. Graduates receive an Associate of Applied Science Degree (AAS). Graduates who meet the MS State Board of Nursing® requirements are eligible to write the National Council Licensure Examination® for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN®). The MS State Board of Nursing® may deny any application for licensure due to, but not limited to, conviction of a felony; commission of fraud or deceit in the application process; or addiction to alcohol or other drugs. The Associate Degree Nursing Program is accredited by the Board of Trustees of State Institutions of Higher Learning (IHL®) of Mississippi and the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN®).

Admission Requirements

- 1. The applicant must apply for regular admission and be accepted by the College.
- 2. The applicant must submit a completed application for nursing to the Office of Healthcare Education.
- 3. The applicant must have a minimum ACT composite score of 18.
- 4. The applicant must have a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or better.
- 5. All applicants are required to complete Anatomy & Physiology I and Anatomy & Physiology II with labs or upper level equivalent, Microbiology with lab or upper level equivalent, English Composition I, English Composition II, and Human Growth and Development; and earn a grade of "C" or better in each course prior to taking the first nursing course. An applicant may be accepted into the LPN Transition to ADN program prior to completing these courses, but these courses must successfully be completed prior to beginning nursing classes in the spring.
- 6. All applicants are required to take a dosage calculation test and receive a score of 100 prior to admission.
- 7. All applicants will be required, at the student's expense, to take a pre-entrance examination test as specified by the Office of Healthcare Education.
- 8. All applicants must have a current unrestricted LPN license to practice in Mississippi.
- 9. All applicants must have one-year clinical work experience within the last five years and documentation from employer/s required using the Employment History Form included in this packet.
- 7. All applicants selected for admission into the LPN Transition to ADN program must submit proof of the following items: physical examination; immunizations against measles, mumps, rubella (MMR) (or rubella titer); Hepatitis B vaccine (or signed declination statement); current TB test or chest x-ray; and updated American Heart Association Healthcare Provider CPR Course[®].
- 8. All applicants must prove a satisfactory criminal history background check, which will be scheduled and submitted by the Office of Healthcare Education.

Any student accepted into the ADN program must agree to be randomly tested for illegal substances at any point and time while enrolled in the ADN program. The student is responsible for all expenses associated with testing. (Initial drug testing fees are included in the student's lab fees assessed by the college).

The number of students admitted into the program will vary according to resources available. Qualified applicants will be given priority based on academic records. Students admitted to any nursing courses must adhere to the policies in the current ECCC College <u>Catalog</u> and the ECCC Nursing Student Handbook.

Acceptance Criteria

To be considered for acceptance into the LPN to ADN Program, the applicant's file in the Office of Admissions and Records and the Office of Healthcare Education must be complete. <u>The student is responsible for ensuring that the data in the file is correct and received by the application deadline of October 1, 2017.</u>

Qualified applicants for the LPN to ADN program will be considered by the admissions committee on a priority basis using the following criteria:

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2. College GPA on ADN Curri High School GPA with no c				Sciences completed with labs with grade of "C" or better.	Points	
taken:				Three science courses	3	
GPA	Point	ts		Two science courses	2	
3.5 - 4.0	4			One science course	1	
3.0 - 3.49	3		5	Preadmission examination re	sults:	
2.5 - 2.99	2				Juito	
2.0 - 2.49	1			Pre-entrance exam cumulative score	Points	
B. ACT composite score:				85% or Above	5	
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ACT composite score	Points			85% or Above		
ACT composite score Above 27	6			85% or Above 80% - 84%	4	
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ACT composite score Above 27	6			85% or Above 80% - 84% 75% - 79% 70% - 74%	4 3 2	

Admission criteria and the expertise of the committee members are utilized in selecting qualified applicants.

All Healthcare Education Division students must submit to and satisfactorily complete a criminal background check. Admission may be rescinded and reversed based on review of the students' criminal background check. A criminal background check will be conducted after admission into the nursing program

All healthcare education students are required to submit to a criminal background check according to Mississippi law prior to any clinical experience. If the person has ever been convicted of a felony, or pleaded guilty to, or pleaded no contest to a felony of possession or sale of drugs, murder, manslaughter, armed robbery, rape, sexual battery, sex offence listed in Section 45-33-23 (f), child abuse, grand larceny, burglary, gratification of lust or aggravated assault, felonious abuse and/or battery of a vulnerable adult they may not be eligible to attend clinical experience, thus forfeiting their slot in the program.

Students who refuse to submit to a criminal background check or do not pass the criminal background check review will be dismissed from the program. Students who are dismissed from a Healthcare Education Division program may seek admission into another educational program.

Instructions for Application

In order to be considered for admission into the LPN to ADN Bridge Program, all requirements must be completed and submitted by October 1, 2017. Completed applications are judged on information submitted as part of the application. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that all documents are on file. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

1. Mail all ADN application documents to:

Office of Healthcare Education East Central Community College P.O. Box 129 Decatur, MS 39327

- 2. Applicants who have not attended East Central Community College are to complete the APPLICATION for ADMISSION to the college.
- 3. Applicants who have had a semester break in attendance at East Central Community College are to complete the READMISSION APPLICATION to the college.
- 4. ALL applicants must complete the APPLICATION for LPN TO ADN ADMISSION included in this packet.
- 5. ALL applicants must submit with the application **one official transcript** from **every** college attended other than East Central Community College to the Office of Healthcare Education (address is above in #1).
- 6. Validated results of ACT score must be submitted with the application or on file at East Central Community College Office of Admissions & Records.
- 7. Proof of current admission to East Central Community College must be submitted with application. Proof of current admission is a copy of the email or a copy of the official letter from the Office of Admissions and Records that states you have been accepted to the college. Current students taking classes at ECCC may submit a copy of their unofficial transcript located on MyEC.
- 8. All applicants must submit proof of current unrestricted LPN license to practice in Mississippi. This can be obtained from the Mississippi Board of Nursing website under license verification.
- 9. All applicants must submit the Employment History Form included in this packet
- 10. All applicants must pay the \$70 criminal history background fee to the business office by October 1, 2017. Notification of fingerprinting schedule will be sent by email once fee has been paid.
- 11. All applicants must take the HESI® A2 pre-entrance test. See attached instructions.
- 12. Deadline for completed application is October 1, 2017 for spring admission.
- 13. All applicants will be notified by email of acceptance or non-acceptance to the LPN to ADN program on November 3, 2017. Please make sure the email address on the application is active. All communication and notification from the Office of Healthcare Education will be by email.
- 14. Applicants must refer to the college catalog for post-acceptance requirements.



Associate Degree Nursing Bridge Program of Study

Academic	Calendar	Course	Credit
			Hours
Pre-requisites		BIO 2514: Anatomy & Physiology I w/Lab or upper level equivalent	4.00
		BIO 2524: Anatomy & Physiology I w/Lab or upper level equivalent	4.00
		BIO 2924: Microbiology w/Lab or upper level equivalent	4.00
		ENG 1113: English Composition I	3.00
		ENG 1123: English Composition II	3.00
		EPY 2533: Human Growth & Development	3.00
			Total: 21.00
Year 1	Spring	NUR 1116 LPN Transition	(6.00)
		At the completion of LPN Transition,	19.00
		students are given 20 hours of credit.	
		NUR 2121 Nurse Seminar	0.00
		*Fine Arts or Humanities Elective	3.00
			Total: 22.00
Year 2	Fall	NUR 2319: Adult Health Nursing II	8.00
		NUR 2121: Nurse Seminar	0.00
		PSY 1513: General Psychology	3.00
		*SPT 1113: Public Speaking I	3.00
			Total: 16.00
	Spring	NUR 2416: Advanced Concepts of Nursing	6.00
		Practice	
		NUR 2434: Transition to Professional	4.00
		Nursing Practice NUR 2941: NCLEX Review	1.00
		NUR 2121: Nurse Seminar	$1.00 \\ 1.00$
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* Courses may be taken in any sequence.

Enrollment in NUR courses is limited to students who have been admitted to the ADN program and these courses must be taken in the sequence specified. All nursing courses must be completed within four years to graduate from the ADN program.

Progression/Graduation Requirements: Average of 80 or above, grade of "C" or better on all nursing and required courses, mastery of selected nursing skills.

Please return to: Office of Healthcare Education East Central Community College P.O. Box 129 Decatur, MS 39327



Date received

(Office Use Only)

LPN to ADN Bridge Program

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name						
Last	First	Middle/Maiden		SS#	Student ID #	
Addresss						
	t/Apartment Number/P.	O. Box	City	State	Zip	County
Telephone () (Home) Cell or	Work]	E-mail (req	uired)
ACADEMIC INI	FORMATION					
High School Attended			Grad	uation Date		

City ______ State______ State______

GED 🗆 Yes 🗆 No GED Graduation Date_____State Where GED Was Taken_____

ACT: Date Taken_____

*Validated results of ACT must be submitted with application or on file in the Office of Admissions and Records.

Proof of current admission to East Central Community College must be submitted with application. Proof of current admission is a copy of the email or a copy of the official letter from the Office of Admissions and Records that states you have been accepted to the college. Current students taking classes at ECCC may submit a copy of their unofficial transcript located on MyEC.

List <u>all</u> colleges/universities currently or previously attended, including ECCC.

Name and Location of Institution	Dates of Attendance	Degree Awarded (if applicable)

*An official transcript from each institution attended (excluding ECCC), and/or GED results must be submitted to ECCC Admissions, P.O. Box 129, Decatur, MS 39327 <u>and</u> to the Office of Healthcare Education, P.O. Box 129 Decatur, MS 39327 before action can be taken on your application.

FELONY/MISDEMEANOR DECLARATION

Have you ever been convicted of or have charges pending against you for a felony or misdemeanor in any state/jurisdiction? \Box Yes \Box No If yes, please attach explanation.

*If you have been convicted, pleaded guilty or pleaded no contest to certain felony crimes, you may be unable to obtain licensure/certification or attend clinical or obtain employment in a licensed health care facility in Mississippi. For information refer to the college catalog.

PREVIOUS HEALTHCARE PROGRAM ENROLLMENT

Have you ever been enrolled in a school of nursing or other health related program? Yes \Box No If yes, please answer the following for each program:

Type of Program	School	City	State	Dates Attended	Did you graduate? Yes or No

*If you did not complete a nursing program, you will need a letter of "good standing" from that program director to accompany your application.

If you successfully completed the program, please provide the following information:

Date of Licensure/Certification/Registration _____

Licensure/Certification/Registry Number _____

Are charges pending against you concerning licensure or practice in any state jurisdiction?

 \Box Yes \Box No If yes, please attach explanation

CERTIFICATION

I certify that the information I have provided on this application is accurate and that I have not intentionally withheld information requested. I understand that any falsification of information may subject me to dismissal from any program.

Applicant Signature

Date

LPN TRANSITION TO ADN NURSING ENTRANCE EXAM (HESI)

As part of your admission process into the LPN to ADN Bridge nursing program, you will be required to take the HESI Admission Assessment Exam for Associate Degree Nursing (HESI A2 with Critical Thinking). Please allow a maximum of 4 hours for this exam. Please select a test date on this form. Forward a copy of the form and payment in the amount of \$45.00 payable to East Central Community College to:

East Central Community College Attention: Business Office P. O. Box 129 Decatur, MS 39327

If payment for testing is made in person to the business office you will be required to ensure the form and receipt is turned in to the healthcare education office. If payment for testing is mailed in to the business office it will be forwarded to the healthcare education office by the business office.

The required dosage calculation test will be given at **9:30 a.m**. in the Computer Lab in the Phil A. Sutphin ADN/CC Building prior to the HESI Admission Assessment Exam. The HESI Admission Assessment Exam will be given in the **Computer Lab (Room 15) in the Phil A.** Sutphin ADN/CC Building on the ECCC Campus beginning at 9:30 a.m. on the following dates:

PLACE A (√) BY THE DATE OF YOUR SELECTION	THE DATE OF YOUR TEST DATE		LAST DAY TO PAY THE BUSINESS OFFICE
	Friday, October 13, 2017	9:30am—12:30pm	October 1, 2017
	Friday, October 20, 2017	9:30am—12:30pm	October 1, 2017

Each testing date is limited to 30 participants. If your chosen testing date is closed, a new date will be assigned.

You will receive a **confirmation ticket** (via email) that you must present at the Computer Lab in the Phil A. Sutphin ADN/CC Building on your test date in order to take the test. You **must** present one form of photo ID at this time. Free HESI A2 practice questions:

http://www.hesia2test.com/

PLEASE NOTE: TESTING FEES, ONCE PAID, ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.

Please <u>fully complete</u> the following information:

PLEASE PRINT

Name	Telephone
Address	Email
City, State, Zip	
Selected Date for HESI Testing:	



LPN to ADN Nursing Application Checklist

Apply and be accepted to East Central Community College.						
Apply for financial aid.						
Submit LPN to ADN application and required documentation to the Office of Healthcare Education in the Phil A. Sutphin ADN/CC Building front office. Required documentation for submission of application: Application						
Official transcript from every college attended other than ECCCValidated ACT score if not on file at the ECCC Office of Admissions and RecordsProof of current admission to ECCC						
Employment History Form Proof of current unrestricted LPN license to practice in Mississippi. This can be obtained from the Mississippi Board of Nursing website under license verification.						
Submit the HESI Admission Assessment Exam completed form with payment to the ECCC Business Office. Take the required decage calculation test and the HECL Admission						
Take the required dosage calculation test and the HESI AdmissionAssessment Exam on the date approved.For entry into the exam you must present one form of photo ID and the confirmation ticket you received via email.						

All applicants will be notified via email of acceptance or non-acceptance to the LPN to ADN program.

Practice Problems for Dosage Calculation

1. Order: Thyroxin 0.5 mg PO every day. Available 1 mg scored tablets. How many tablets would you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? $tab = \frac{1 tab}{1 mg} X \frac{0.5 mg}{1} = 0.5 tab$

2. Order: Zithromax 400 mg PO every day. Available: Zithromax 200 mg per 5 mL. How many teaspoons would you give? (Round your answer to the nearest whole number.)

? tsp = $\frac{1 \text{ tsp}}{5 \text{ mL}}$ X $\frac{5 \text{ mL}}{200 \text{ mg}}$ X $\frac{400 \text{mg}}{1}$ = 2 tsp

3. Order: Lanoxin 0.125 mg PO every day. Available: Lanoxin 250 mcg per scored tablet. How many tablets would you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? tabs = $\frac{1 \text{ tab}}{250 \text{mcg}}$ X $\frac{1000 \text{mcg}}{1 \text{mg}}$ X $\frac{0.125 \text{ mg}}{1}$ = **0.5 tab**

4. Order: Cephalexin 0.5 g po q 6 hours Available: Cephalexin oral suspension 125 mg/5 mL. How many mL would you give per dose? (Round your answer to the nearest whole number.)

? mL = $\frac{5 \text{ mL } X}{125 \text{ mg}}$ $\frac{1000 \text{ mg } X}{1 \text{ g}}$ $\frac{0.5 \text{ g}}{1}$ = 20 mL

5. Order: Zantac 35mg IM every 8 hours. Available: Zantac 25mg per 1mL. How many mL do you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? mL = $\frac{1mL}{25mg}$ X $\frac{35mg}{1}$ = $\frac{35}{25}$ = **1.4 mL**

6. Order: Doxycycline 50 mg po every 12 hours. Available: Doxycycline 100 mg per scored tablet. How many tablets do you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? tab = 1 tab X 50 mg = 0.5 tab 100 mg 1

7. Order: Ceftin 250 mg po every 12 hours. Available: Ceftin 125 mg per tablet. How many tablets do you give? (Round your answer to the nearest whole number.)

? tabs = $\frac{1 \text{ tab}}{125 \text{ mg}}$ X $\frac{250 \text{ mg}}{1}$ = 2 tabs

8. Order: Amoxil 0.4 g po every 6 hours. Available: Amoxil 250 mg per 5 mL. How many mL do you give? (Round your answer to the nearest whole number.)

? mL = $\frac{5 \text{ mL}}{250 \text{ mg}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ g}} \times \frac{0.4 \text{ g}}{1} = 8 \text{ mL}$

9. Order: Lasix 60 mg po every day. Available: Lasix 40 mg tablets. How many tablets do you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? $tab = \frac{1 tab}{40 mg} X \frac{60 mg}{1} = 1.5 tab$

10. Order: Augmentin 0.5 g po q 8 hours. Available: Augmentin 250 mg/5 mL. How many mL do you give? (Round your answer to the nearest whole number.)

? mL = $\frac{5 \text{ mL}}{250 \text{ mg}}$ X $\frac{1000 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ g}}$ X $\frac{0.5 \text{ g}}{1}$ = 10 mL

11. Order: Synthroid 0.025 mg PO every day. Available 50 mcg scored tablets. How many tablets would you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? tab = 1 tab X 1000 mcg X 0.025 mg = 0.5 tab50 mcg 1 mg 1

12. Order: Benadryl elixir 6.25 mg po every 4 to 6 hours. Available: Benadryl elixir 12.5mg/5mL. How many milliliters would you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? mL = $\frac{5 \text{ mL}}{12.5 \text{ mg}}$ X $\frac{6.25 \text{ mg}}{1}$ = 2.5 mL

13. Order: Ampicillin 1 gram po every 6 hours. Available: Capsules labeled 500 mg. How many capsules would you give? (Round your answer to the nearest whole number.)

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$$cap = \frac{1 cap}{500 mg} X \frac{1000 mg}{1 g} X \frac{1 g}{1} = 2 caps$$

14. Order: Penicillin G 400,000 units IM q 4 hours. Available: Penicillin G 5,000,000 units. Directions state: Add 8 mL sterile water for reconstitution to yield 500,000 units/mL. How many mL will you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? mL = $\frac{1 \text{ mL}}{500,000 \text{ units}}$ X $\frac{400,000 \text{ units}}{1}$ = **0.8 mL**

15. Order: Phenobarbital 60 mg po HS Available: Phenobarbital elixir 20 mg / 5 mL. How many mL would you give per dose? (Round your answer to the nearest whole number.)

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$$mL = \frac{5 mL}{20 mg}$$
 X $\frac{60 mg}{1} = 15 mL$

16. Order: Vistaril 25 mg IM. Available: Vistaril 50 mg/mL. How many mL do you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? mL = $\frac{1 \text{ mL}}{50 \text{ mg}}$ X $\frac{25 \text{ mg}}{1}$ = **0.5 mL**

17. Order: Demerol 75 mg IM. Available: Demerol 50 mg per mL. How many mL do you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? $mL = \frac{1 mL}{50 mg}$ X $\frac{75 mg}{1}$ = **1.5 mL**

18. Order: Ceftriaxone 400 mg IM. Available: Ceftriaxone 1gm vial with directions to add 3.5 mL sterile water to yield an approximate concentration of 250 mg Ceftriaxone per mL. How many mL would you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? mL = $\frac{1 \text{ mL}}{250 \text{ mg}}$ X $\frac{400 \text{ mg}}{1}$ = **1.6 mL**

19. Order: Fortaz 1 g IM Available: Fortaz 1 g vial with directions to add 3.5 mL sterile water to yield an approximate concentration of 400 mg Fortaz per mL. How many mL would you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? $mL = \frac{1 mL}{400 mg} X \frac{1000 mg}{1g} X \frac{1 g}{1} = 2.5 mL$

20. Order: Narcan 0.5mg IM stat. Available: Narcan 400mcg per mL. How many mL would you give? (Round your answer to the nearest tenth.)

? $mL = \frac{1 mL}{400 mcg} X \frac{1000 mcg}{1 mg} X \frac{0.5 mg}{1} = 1.3 mL$

Remember to look over your conversions.

If the answer is less than one, round to the nearest hundredth. Ex. 0.833 = 0.83

If the answer is greater than one, round to the nearest tenth. Ex. 1.45 = 1.5

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY FORM

(To be completed by direct nursing supervisor)

APPLICANT NAM	ИЕ:			
	Last	First	Middle	Maiden
HOME ADDRESS	:		eet or P. O. Box	
		511	Let 01 1. 0. Dox	
	City		State	Zip
PHONE NUMBER				
	Home	Cell	I.	Work
years). Facility		Address	D	ate of Employment
Job Title				
I do hereby attes during the above			idual has worked ur	nder my supervision
Signature of dire	ct nursing superv	 isor	D	Date

Contact number_____