



# PRACTICAL NURSING REFRESHER

**2-YEAR  
CERTIFICATE**

Returning to the practical nursing profession, bridging a knowledge gap, or refreshing your knowledge in a particular area? This flexible, self-paced program combines theoretical study and clinical practice to help you meet the requirements for registration through the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Manitoba.

## Why should you choose the Practical Nursing Refresher (PNR) program?

- 1 Dive back into the profession**  
Have you worked as a practical nurse and wish to return to your career within Manitoba? If the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Manitoba (CLPNM) requires you to take a refresher program, then Assiniboine can help you re-enter the nursing profession with confidence.
- 2 A career focused on care**  
Make a difference in the health care profession. Be part of the interdisciplinary team that encompasses the physical, mental, emotional and spiritual needs of individuals, families and communities. Demonstrated flexibility is essential to this profession, particularly around shift-work, including weekends.
- 3 The best of both worlds**  
Take courses from this program according to your schedule and in accordance with CLPNM's guidelines. Courses begin every two months, and theoretical study from home is synthesized with clinical practice in this flexible program. Practice hands-on skills in modern lab settings and apply them during your clinical placement.
- 4 Pathways to success**  
A Practical Nursing Refresher certificate can open doors to you in many settings, including hospitals, personal care homes, and acute and extended care. With a background in practical nursing, opportunities exist to develop special areas of practice, certification and credentials. Ask about options and potential credit transfers with our many partner institutions.



## CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Obtain employment in hospitals, personal care homes, medical clinics, private agencies and the community. As well, with some advanced preparation, entrepreneurial LPNs are establishing their own businesses.

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- A complete Manitoba Grade 12 or equivalent.
- All admissions to the Practical Nursing Refresher program will be on referral from the College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Manitoba (CLPNM) only.
- All students must hold a current Active or Student practicing license with CLPNM prior to and during registration in PNR courses.

English is the language of instruction at Assiniboine. All applicants educated outside of Canada or in a country on the test exempt list are expected to meet the English language proficiency requirement. See [assiniboine.net/elp](http://assiniboine.net/elp) for more information.

Prior to the start of clinical placements, students must complete the following:

- Up-to-date and completed immunizations
- Evidence of current certification in cardiopulmonary resuscitation – Health Care Provider (CPR-HCP)
- Evidence of current criminal record, child abuse and adult abuse registry checks

All clinical and lab requirements must be completed in Manitoba.

Many agencies where students are placed for practicum experience require students disclose convictions for any offenses. In some instances, applicants with a criminal record may be unable to complete the program. Applicants listed on the Child Abuse Registry and/or Adult Abuse Registry will be unable to complete the program if they require practicum experiences involving persons in care. If you fall into one of these categories, please contact the School of Health & Human Services prior to applying.

All registry checks must be current prior to clinicals. Documents obtained prior to program acceptance will not be acceptable. Please note: the process for completing these documents may take 4-6 weeks.

## CONNECTIONS

The College of Licensed Practical Nurses of Manitoba (CLPNM) provincially accredits the Assiniboine Community College Practical Nursing Refresher program.

*Note: The Manitoba credential is recognized across Canada.*

## NEXT STEPS

Apply now! Visit [assiniboine.net/applynow](http://assiniboine.net/applynow). For more information on this program, visit [assiniboine.net/pnrefresher](http://assiniboine.net/pnrefresher).

## UNIQUE LEARNING EXPERIENCES

- Strong clinical component in acute and extended-care facilities, personal care homes, community agencies and private homes
- Program emphasizes employability skills desired by health care employers

## PROGRAM FEES

Program fees vary from person to person, depending on what courses CLPNM requires you to complete. Some undeclared students may be directed by CLPNM to take a portion of the PNR courses.

*Note: Courses taken individually through Continuing Studies will be at Continuing Studies rates.*

Previous education, practice and hours as a practical nurse will be assessed by CLPNM, and they will refer you the specific courses you will need to complete through Assiniboine. A non-refundable assessment fee of \$100 is required before your application will be processed.

To meet registration eligibility requirements, the student must successfully complete all courses identified through the referral process from CLPNM. Applicants must successfully complete each theory course and attend all clinical and lab components.

For individuals who are required to complete the whole program, tuition, fees and Student Association fees total approximately **\$2,194**. Estimated costs for books and supplies are **\$1,100**.

Contact the School of Health & Human Services for more information on exact program costs, which will depend on your specific requirements from CLPNM.

## COURSES 2021-22

NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
Note: Courses are listed in the order they must be taken		
HLTH-0253	Health Care System	6
HLTH-0174	Pharmacology Theory	3
HLTH-0096	Pharmacology Lab	2
PRAC-0070	Pharmacology Clinical	1
HLTH-0011	Physical Health Assessment	3
HLTH-0254	Health Prevention/Promotion	6
PRAC-0058	Health Prevention Clinical	4
HLTH-0255	Community Nursing	3
PRAC-0059	Community Setting Clinical	2
HLTH-0257	Maternal and Newborn	3
PRAC-0060	Mother and Newborn Practical	1
HLTH-0256	Pediatric Nursing	3
PRAC-0061	Pediatric Clinical	1
May also include:		
HLTH-0086	Intravenous and Medications	3
HLTH-0215	Canadian Healthcare Workplace	8
HLTH-0270	Clinical Skills for Nurses	8
HLTH-0224	Ethics in Nursing	8

*Note: Timelines, applicable industry experience, and teaching methodology will depend on program delivery choice; program information sheets subject to change without notice. Visit [assiniboine.net](http://assiniboine.net) for the most up-to-date information.*

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