

State Board for Nursing Guidance - Nurse Refresher Programs

The courses below provide inactive nurses with education needed to return to practice competently. They are not designed to address education needs of RNs or LPNs with a history of negligent or incompetent patient care. They do not verify that RNs or LPNs are fit to practice nursing competently.

Program Name	RN Refresher Course	Fast Track Orientation & RN Refresher Certificate Program	RN & LPN Independent Study Refresher Courses	RN Refresher Online Program	RN Refresher Course
Program Provider	Molloy University	Boston College, Connell School of Nursing	South Dakota State University	University of Delaware	Connecticut Center for Nursing Workforce
Program Contact	Molloy University website (516) 323-3550 or email: contedmolloy.edu	Boston College website (617) 552-4256 or email: sonced@bc.edu	South Dakota State University website (605) 688-5745 sdsu.continuingnursing-education@sdsu.edu	University of Delaware web (302) 831-7600 pcs.udel.edu/re-refresher	Connecticut Center for Nursing Workforce 203-691-5013 https://www.ctcenterfor nursingworkforce.com/
Program Format	Scheduled online classes In-person lab & patient care training on Long Island	3 self-paced online courses 2 in-person courses (lectures & lab training) in Boston	Self-paced online learning In-person patient care training.	16 weeks - online course work 9 weeks (80 hrs.) in-person patient care training	Online didactic and simulation training.
Student Type	NY licensed RN	Anyone	RN or LPN	RN	RN
Program Cost	\$2200 total tuition <i>*Additional costs (to meet admission requirements)</i>	\$1998 total tuition \$499 for the 3 online courses \$1499 for the 2 in-person courses	For RNs: \$2564.59 tuition For LPNs: \$2407.50 tuition <i>*Additional costs (to meet admission requirements)</i>	\$1400 tuition <i>*Additional costs for textbooks and course materials</i>	\$2800 tuition <i>*Additional costs for textbooks and course materials</i>
Program Length	10-week program (134 hrs.)	46.5 hrs. total: 22.5 hrs. online; 24 hrs. in-person education Must complete within 24 months	RNs: 160 online hrs. & 80 clinical hrs. LPNs: 120 online hrs. & 80 clinical hrs. Must complete within 12 months	25-week program	16-week program (90 hrs.)
Frequency	Course is offered 3-4 times per year	3 online courses offered all year 2 in-person courses offered twice a year	Online course available all year	Course offered 3 times per year	Online course available all year
Admission Requirements	NY RN license/registration, BLS certification, recent physical exam, immunizations, malpractice insurance, N95 fit test, essay	Open admission to all Participants should have basic knowledge of nursing	RN or LPN license, background check, drug screen; recent physical exam, immunizations, BLS certification, malpractice & health insurance Participant must arrange for their clinical placement. NY RN license & registration required for clinical placements in NY	Lapsed or current US RN license, US hospital experience, background check, drug screen; complete a questionnaire Participant must arrange for clinical placement. NY RN	Current or lapsed RN license RN must be out of practice less than 10 Years

				license & registration required for clinical placements in NY	
Program Description	The course covers: nursing process; legal-ethical issues; IV and drug therapy; adult med-surg conditions; health technology; and RN role expectations. In-person clinical education includes nursing skills lab followed by 8-days of patient care education.	<u>3 online courses</u> cover: drug dose calculation, nursing care (cardiac, geriatric, perioperative, endocrine, mental health, gastrointestinal, oncology, respiratory & palliative) <u>2 in-person courses</u> cover: nursing skills lab & lectures in: IV therapy, assessments (cardio-pulmonary, musculoskeletal, ENT, neurological, abdominal, dermatological), and nursing skills (drug administration, respiratory care, sterile technique, dressing changes, enteral feeding)	The course covers: pharmacology, drug dose calculation with medication calculation test. Completion of theory involves successful completion of all module tests, ATI skills (21 skills), ATI pharmacology, ATI dimensional analysis modules and the final medication calculation test with a passing score of 100% on 1 of 3 attempts. Passing score on module exams is 76% on 1 of 2 attempts.	<u>Online course covers:</u> cultural competence; med-surg, specialty, & end-of-life care; pharmacology; legal issues; physical assessment; geriatric, clinical laboratory & nutrition topics. Participant must pass a final exam. <u>In-person patient care training:</u> the participant must secure a clinical placement & preceptor, complete assignments & work 8-12 hrs. on any shift.	The course covers: foundational concepts, patient assessment and care skills, electronic health records, best practices, medical/surgical, pharmacological, and nursing processes
Coursework	Reading, tests, written assignment, skills demonstration and clinical application	Reading, written assignments, tests, skills demonstration	Reading, written assignments, tests, skills demonstration and clinical application	Reading, written assignments, tests, skills demonstration and clinical application	Online simulation experiences, reading, assignments, tests.
Program Completion	Molloy University certificate of completion	Boston College certificate of completion	South Dakota State University certificate of completion	University of Delaware certificate of completion	Certificate of Completion
Additional Comments	The course leaders are willing to consider enrolling a person whose RN license is re-instated. However, they cannot participate in hands-on patient care unless the NY RN license has been re-instated. Financial assistance may be available	The AC Marriott/Cleveland Circle offers a discount to travelers visiting Boston College.	RN license required to complete course. May request a one-time three-month extension for \$500 and it must be received within 30-days of the course end date.	RN license required to complete course. Financial assistance may be available	Although this course may help some disciplined RNs to improve their nursing practice course completion does not guarantee that a disciplined RN is fit to practice nursing.