

PATIENT CARE TECHNICIAN 1 (PCT 1)
NUR 100 (6 credits)
Admission Requirements and Registration Information

1. Orientation Seminar

Prospective students **must** attend an orientation seminar. The purpose of the seminar is to explain the program requirements, the admission process and registration procedures. Students may call 410-777-7318 for dates and times of the orientations. The maximum enrollment for NUR 100 is a total of sixteen (16) students. The necessary requirements **must** be met before a student will be given permission to register for NUR 100.

2. Reading and Mathematics Proficiency

Proficiency in reading and arithmetic comprehension is required. Students must take college English placement tests or demonstrate validation of credit English course or eligibility for ENG 002 and RDG 027. If the student is working toward a Patient Care Technician certificate at the College, the student must be eligible for ENG 111 before registering for Patient Care Technician 2 (NUR 103).

Proficiency in basic mathematics functions is required. This is demonstrated by eligibility for MAT 010 or higher by taking the college Mathematics placement test.

3. CPR Completion

Students must submit verification of successful completion of the American Heart Association Basic Life Support Course for Health Care Providers, Modules 1 through 4 (formerly Provider C). The Red Cross course will not be accepted. The CPR certification must be valid through the entire semester. **A copy of the CPR card must be submitted to the Health Professions office, FLRS 306, or to the Coordinator of Special Nursing Programs.** The AHA Health Care Provider CPR course is offered by the college's Division of Continuing Education and Workforce Development, local fire departments and/or hospitals.

4. Attendance

The class schedule for NUR 100 will be given to you at orientation. **Attendance at every clinical and college lab session is a requirement.** If you cannot attend every college lab and clinical lab, you should not plan to take the course or complete the Health Examination Record.

5. Technical Standards

Prospective students must meet program technical standards therefore they must complete the Health Examination Record, which includes a physical exam, hearing and vision screening test, and immunization requirements. The health requirements will be explained in detail at an orientation seminar.

The *Health Examination Record* will be distributed **only** to students who have met the above prerequisites and eligibility and have submitted to the Coordinator of Special Nursing Programs verification of CPR valid through the entire semester.

Completed health examination records must be returned to Health Professions Office, FLRS 306. The health records will be reviewed by the Admissions Coordinator and you will be notified if incomplete.

Completed Health Records are required to be submitted to the Admissions Coordinator, FLRS 306 prior to registration.

1. Prior to being able to register for this course, students will be required to complete the **Health Examination Record**. Once a physician certifies that the candidate meets the technical standard requirement (defined in #2 below) as established by the department within the scope of practice of the profession, and the department receives and concurs with the physician's certification, the candidate will be considered as having met the technical standard requirement.

2. Qualification: Good physical and mental health.

Admission Criteria (Technical Standards): Student must be free of contagion and possess sufficient stamina with or without reasonable accommodations, as may be required by law, and mental stability to fulfill the requirements of the program and the customary requirements of the profession:

- Work for 8-12 hours performing physical tasks requiring sufficient strength and motor coordination without jeopardy to patient and student safety as, for example, bending, lifting, turning and ambulating patients.
- Perform fine movements and be able to manipulate instruments and wide variety of equipment according to established procedure and standards of speed and accuracy.
- Establish and work toward goals in a consistently responsible, realistic manner.
- Have auditory ability sufficient to monitor and assess health needs. (For example: communicate verbally, in an effective manner, with patients and other personnel)
- Have visual ability sufficient for observation and assessment necessary for patient care. (For example: read and process patient related information like patient charts and requisitions)

6. Criminal Background Checks

All health professions students who are offered admissions and/or clinical placement will be required to submit to a complete criminal background check. All student applicant's final acceptance in the program shall be contingent upon satisfactory completion of a criminal background check. All letters of acceptance shall state that the acceptance is conditional and contingent on submission to a criminal background check that results in a satisfactory report. A separate criminal background check may be required by a clinical site prior to placement. If a student is denied from a clinical site, due to a background check result, which is required to meet program competencies, the student shall be dismissed from the program and his/her registration withdrawn from courses related to the program of study.

Criminal Background checks do not assure eligibility for specific clinical site placement, program completion, and/or eligibility to sit for professional licensure/board examinations.

Students are reminded that licensing boards for certain health care occupations and professions may deny, suspend, or revoke a license or may deny the individual the opportunity to sit for an examination even if the individual has completed all program course work, if it is determined that an applicant has a criminal history or is convicted or pleads guilty or nolo contendere to a felony or other serious crime. Successful completion of a health professions program of study at Anne Arundel Community College does not guarantee licensure, the opportunity to sit for a licensure examination, certification or employment in the relevant health care occupation.

Students may be automatically denied admission, or if enrolled, dismissed from the program, if they have not been truthful or have provided inaccurate information in the application.

Students who have concerns are encouraged to contact the Health Professions Admissions Office healthprofessions@aacc.edu.

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PLEASE NOTE: AACC will only accept criminal background checks performed by Precheck. Criminal background checks through Precheck are completed online and the cost is \$48.50. Please do not do the criminal background check prior to being instructed to do so. The instructions will be given out at the program orientation seminars and for selective programs, information will also be given in your acceptance letters.

7. Uniform Requirements

The uniform requirements will be discussed at the orientation. **Uniforms will be worn only for the clinical experience (hospital and long term care facility).**

8. Tuition Fees for NUR 100 (6 credits):

\$ 516.00	Tuition (\$86.00 per credit hour for Anne Arundel County residents)
\$ 50.00	Lab Fee
\$ 20.00	Registration Fee
<u>\$ 48.00</u>	Student Fee (\$3.00 per credit hour)
\$ 634.00	Total

Additional Expenses:

\$ 70.00	CPR (approximate)
\$ 35.00	Immunizations (approximate)
\$ 100.00	Uniforms and shoes (approximate)
<u>\$ 58.00</u>	Books and supplies (explained below)
\$ 263.00	Total Additional Fees (approximate)

The following books and supplies must be purchased in the College Bookstore for NUR 100 (PCT 1):

• Anne Arundel Community College Patch (Nursing)		\$ 3.95
• Anne Arundel Community College Photo ID		\$ 10.00
• Textbooks required for NUR 100	Approximate	\$ 50.00
	Approximate Total	<u>\$ 63.95</u>

TEXTBOOK:

Sorrentino, Sheila, Assisting with Patient Care, Mosby, 2004

WORKBOOK:

Sorrentino, Sheila, Study Guide for Assisting with Patient Care, Mosby, 2004

9. Admission Application and Registration

New students must complete a college Admission Application to the college at either the Admissions Office or the Academic Advising Center and review it with an advisor (Student Services Center, Upper Level). On the bottom of the first page of the application form under Academic Program write "AA.GEN.STUDENT" or "CRT.NUR.PCT" indicating Patient Care Technician. If indicating Patient Care Technician (CRT.NUR.PCT) the student must be eligible for ENG 111 before being permitted to enroll.

The maximum enrollment for the Patient Care Technician 1 course (NUR 100) is **16 students**. Students **MUST** have permission of the Health Professions Admissions/Advisement Coordinator to register for NUR 100. A signed registration form for NUR 100 will be given **only** to the students who have completed all the requirements.

If you have any questions about the the course requirements, please contact Ms. Tina Norris, Special Nursing Programs Coordinator, FLRS 402, 410-777-7092, or email: tmnorris@aacc.edu or for *Health Examination Record* contact Ms. Tammie Neall, Health Professions Admissions/Advisement Coordinator at 410-777-7217 or tdneall@aacc.edu.

NOTE: SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF THIS COURSE WILL MEET THE REQUIRMENTS OF THE MARYLAND BOARD OF NURSING TO BECOME A CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT (CNA), AND TO TAKE THE EXAMINATION TO BECOME A CERTIFIED GERIATRIC NURSING ASSISTANT.

AACC is an equal opportunity, affirmative action, Title IX, ADA Title 504 compliant institution. Call Disability Support Service, 410-777-2306 or Maryland Relay 711, 72 hours in advance or e-mail dss@aacc.edu to request special accommodations. For information regarding Anne Arundel Community College's compliance and complaints concerning discrimination or harassment, call Karen L. Cook, Esq., AACC's federal compliance manager at 410-777-7370 or Maryland Relay 711.