Course/Program Title:  NUR 111: Introduction to Practical Nursing

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Expected Learning Outcomes:

- Implement a basic plan of care using basic assessment skills
- Explain safety measures for self and individual in the healthcare setting
- Identify ethical and legal principles
- Discuss the impact cultural diversity has on the individual in the healthcare system
- Begin to demonstrate fundamental therapeutic communication skills
- Identify the roles of various members of the healthcare team
- Begin to organize the individual’s plan of care
- Discuss the role of the practical nurse in various healthcare settings
- Begin to understand the importance of continuity of care for the individual

Assessment:  Clinical evaluation, projects, written assignments, examinations, student evaluations

Validation: Observation and demonstrations in the clinical lab setting and in the clinical setting as well as theory examinations. The ATI Fundamentals Content Mastery Exam is administered in the NUR 112 Semester after additional information and nursing skills are taught in the clinical lab and classroom.

Results:  20 Students began the NUR 111 Session. One student was unsuccessful in completing session due to absences and tardiness issues, as well as deemed unsafe in clinical.

Follow-up: Will review the student evaluations and the ATI Fundamentals Content Mastery Examination to determine any changes in teachings and laboratory practices that need to be addressed.

Budget Justification: Need additional assistance in the clinical laboratory to allow more face to face time to demonstrate nursing skills and monitor return demonstrations. Continue with the ATI Program and the Skills Module assignments as well as the practice modules available online to the students.

Please attach to the November Nursing Faculty Meeting Minutes

In reviewing the ATI Fundamental Content Mastery results (administered in NUR 112), no changes in course content are applicable at this time.

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