Practical Nursing Program
Frequently Asked Questions

1. **What is the approximate cost of the Practical Nursing Program?**

   Total approximate cost is about $6930 and is estimated as follows:
   - Tuition & Fees ~ $5200
   - Books ~ $900
   - Scrubs & Supplies ~ $250
   - Hepatitis Vaccines ~ $120
   - Criminal Background Check ~ $60
   - Graduation Expenses ~ $100
   - Licensure Exam Fees ~ $300

2. **Is financial aid available?**

   Yes, there are financial aid and scholarship opportunities available. Please start this process early. See the Financial Aid Department for assistance.

3. **Can I work while in the Practical Nursing Program?**

   It is possible to work while in school but it is difficult. Not only do you go to school basically 8 hours a day, 5 days per week but many hours of study is required outside the classroom and clinical experience.

4. **What is your attendance policy?**

   Regular attendance and punctuality are required. It is very important to be present every day. Very little time is allowed to be missed and missing too much time can lead to dismissal from the program. The attendance requirements will be covered during orientation.

5. **I live out of town; can I do my clinical rotation in my home town?**

   Clinical rotations are set to meet the requirements of the Arkansas State Board of Nursing and are not optional. Students do not get to choose where they go to clinical. Most clinical rotations will be located in the immediate Camden area.

6. **What sites are used for clinical rotations and what are the hours?**

   We use local nursing home facilities, the hospital, physician’s offices, as well as other nursing facilities in the area. Clinical hours vary and include an evening rotation.

7. **Do I have to wear scrubs to class?**

   No, scrubs will be purchased to be worn to clinical only. You may wear regular clothes to class.

8. **I already have scrubs and white shoes can I just use them for clinical?**

   No, your shoes must be new and regulation scrubs suits will required.