

Information for Applicants
Health and Social Services
Post-Graduate Certificate in Remote Nursing

1. Program Description:

The Remote Nursing program is intended to prepare new graduate nurses or Registered Nurses (RNs) with limited experience directly related to community health nursing, to function in an expanded practice role in a community health center. Program participants learn the nursing competencies required to work in a Northwest Territories community health center.

2. Program Components & Length:

This program consists of academic course work and practical application of skills in a community health center and takes 10-12 months to complete.

Winter Semester – 2 distance courses (3 hours per class per course) twice per week, a 3 week on-site component and a 2 week practicum.

Fall Semester - 2 distance courses (3 hours per class per course) once per week, and 3 week a practicum

3. How to Apply

College

You need to apply directly to Aurora College for acceptance to their program.

Please refer to the Aurora College website for information on application deadlines and forms:

<http://www.auroracollege.nt.ca/live/pages/wpPages/ProgramInfoDisplay.aspx?id=125&tp=PRG>

The College requires that you use their application form and provide required accompanying documentation that includes:

- Proof of current RNANT/NU registration; and
- Criminal records check.

Health and Social Services System

If you are a current employee within the Northwest Territories Health and Social Services system (NTHSSA, HRHSSA, TCSA, DHSS) seeking financial support to attend the Remote Nursing Program, you must submit the Request for Support Form posted on www.practicenorth.ca to your supervisor to obtain approval.

The supervisor and COO/CEO will assess your request and determine if support can be provided and, if approved, at what level.

The level of funding support will be assessed based on factors that include, but are not limited to financial resources available, level of experience in remote nursing and the need for expanded practice nursing competencies as identified by your supervisor. You will receive written notification of the final decision.

Full funding support will include a Return of Service (ROS) in an NWT health care location upon successful completion of the program. The return of service will be 8 weeks in length and must be completed within 20 months after completion of the program.

Applicants should provide their supervisor with confirmation of their acceptance to the Remote Nursing Program once they have received it.

If you decide to pursue the Remote Nursing Program without an approved level of support from your COO/CEO you will be required to submit an Outside Employment/Activity Request Form and explain how you will be able to participate in all aspects of the program without impacting your ability to perform the duties of your position.

4. Decision Review Process

If you are not satisfied with the decision regarding your application, please fill out the Decision Review Request Form and submit to DecisionReviewRequest@gov.nt.ca

The form should be completed and submitted within 30 days of receiving the decision.

5. Program Completion

If you do not complete the program successfully, you will be required to repay some or all of the monies provided to you for support.

6. Helpful Hints

For information on the program guidelines, please visit www.practicenorth.ca