Application & Admission Procedure for Fall 2021

General Information

The application submission time frame for the Practical Nursing Program is February 1, 2021–April 30, 2021.

Contact the Practical Nursing Department at (662-621-4687) for clarification or questions regarding the application process.

Summer Requirements for Fall 2021 Admission to the Practical Nursing Program

If accepted to the Practical Nursing Program, the following <u>must be completed</u> before the Fall 2021 enrollment is allowed:

- 1. Successful completion of the *Health Sciences Summer Enrichment* Camp (Date, time and location **TBA**).
- 2. Successful completion of additional program-specific requirements as indicated in the application procedure.

Application to Coahoma Community College

An *application to Coahoma Community College* must be made or updated before applying to the Practical Nursing Program.

Click on the following hyperlink to access the <u>CCC Application for Admission</u>.

The four (4) requirements for general admission to Coahoma Community College are:

- 1) a completed CCC application,
- 2) an official high school transcript,
- 3) an official ACT Score, and
- 4) a Social Security card.

Pre-Admission Requirements for Practical Nursing

- 1. All requirements for general admission to the college must be met.
- 2. The applicant must be a high school graduate or have an equivalent score on the GED
- 3. ACT composite score of 17 with a minimum of a 14 in reading and math sections of the ACT.
- 4. Applicant must be 18 years of age by August 2021.

NOTE: Admission to the Practical Nursing Program is very competitive. Therefore, meeting pre-acceptance minimum requirements does **not** guarantee admission to the program. The number of students accepted into the program is limited.

Application Process

The following documents must be submitted to the Practical Nursing Program by <u>April 30, 2021</u> for an applicant to be considered for admission:

- 1. A completed CCC Practical Nursing application.
- 2. A completed CCC college admission application must be submitted to the college admission office.
- 3. If applicable, <u>official</u> copies of transcripts from each college or university attended. (Request 2 official copies of transcripts from each college/university attended, to be sent to college admission office and then submitted with the CCC PN application). **Official transcripts must remain sealed in the original envelope. Failure to submit transcripts of all colleges or universities attended will be considered as an incomplete and/or falsified application. The applicant must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA on any previous college courses.**
- 4. CCC transcripts- Contact CCC's Office of Admissions to request an official sealed transcript to be sent to the Practical Nursing Department.
- 5. Official ACT (American College Test) and TEAS V scores. A student copy or copy printed from the internet is <u>not</u> acceptable.
- 6. Official high school transcript or GED scores.
- 7. Pre-entrance test TEAS V Test (scheduled through PN Program)
- 8. A copy of social security card.
- 9. Signed nursing program performance standards for admission and progression.
- 10. Signed criminal background check information form.
- 11. Signed drug policy understanding.
- 12. Two letters of recommendation.

For All Students Requesting Readmission (to the Practical Nursing Program) must submit a letter which includes the following:

- request for readmission
- reason(s) applicant did not complete the program
- an action plan for success

All application information must be received by the Practical Nursing Program no later than **April 30, 2021** to be considered. Incomplete applications and applications without requested documentation will **not** be considered, and there will be no follow-up correspondence.

Submit COMPLETED application packet by mail or in person to:

Coahoma Community College Practical Nursing Program 901 Ohio Street Clarksdale, MS, 38614

Notification of Acceptance/Non-acceptance

Letters of acceptance or non-acceptance will be mailed by the June 4, 2021.

If a letter of acceptance is received, the recipient must respond to the program within one week in **writing** using the "Confirmation of Acceptance" form included with the letter. (The response can be delivered to the program in person).

Not confirming acceptance within a week can result in the admission slot being given to another applicant.

Post-Acceptance Requirements due July 15 (After receiving acceptance letter)

Once accepted into the practical nursing program, the following will be required at the student's expense and are due no later than July 30, 2021. If the required documentation is not submitted by the deadline, your application will be withdrawn and an alternate will be selected.

- 1. Physical examination according to specified form included in the letter.
- 2. Evidence of (2) MMR's.
- 3. Current adult tetanus within ten (10) years.
- 4. Two-step TB skin test. (You will receive a TB skin test and it will be read. Then, you will receive a second TB skin test, and it will be read).
- 5. Two (2) Varicella (chicken pox) immunizations (2) <u>or</u> varicella (chicken pox) blood titer. Declaration of having varicella (chickenpox) will <u>not</u> be accepted.
- 6. Hepatitis B immunization (3) completed or started, <u>or</u> a waiver of declination must be signed.
- 7. CPR certification from American Heart Association for **Healthcare Provider** current for two (2) years. CPR certification must be maintained until graduation.
- 8. Background information signature form. A background check will be scheduled by the Practical Nursing Program at CCC. A current background check can be submitted if it is a health care employer's background done by the Department of Health in Jackson.
- 9. Urine drug screen will be scheduled through the Practical Nursing Program.
- 10. A copy of picture ID.

Other Important Information:

- 1. Student malpractice insurance and accident insurance are obtained through the school and charged to the student after the fall semester begins.
- 2. Each student is responsible for their transportation which includes access to a dependable car at their expense, a valid driver's license, and proof of insurance as requested by law.
- 3. Travel to clinical facilities in adjacent counties for required clinical experiences is the responsibility of the student.
- 4. Clinical hours may be scheduled on the day, evening or weekend shifts with varying hours that may vary from 4 to 12 depending on the clinical requirements.
- 5. Students must have access to the internet, a computer, e-mail, printer and a working telephone number.
- 6. Practical Nursing classes are conducted at the Health Sciences building located at 901 Ohio Avenue, not on the main campus of Coahoma Community College. Students residing on campus are responsible for acquiring transportation to class and clinical rotations.

Any courses taken after acceptance into the Practical Nursing Program will be calculated into the cumulative GPA. If your GPA falls below a 2.0, your acceptance for admission will be withdrawn.

COAHOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE PRACTICE NURSING PROGRAM APPLICATION

Coahoma Community College complies with all applicable laws regarding affirmative action and equal opportunity in all its activities and programs and does not discriminate against anyone protected by law because of age, color, disability, national origin, race, religion, sex, handicap, or status as a veteran or disabled veteran.

Check the following:					
I am applying	to the Practical	Nursing	g Program.		
I am re-applyi	ng to the Praction	cal Nurs	ing Program.		
Date of Birth		Social S	Security Number_		
Student's					
Name					
(Last)	(First)		(Middle)		(Maiden)
Address					
(Street))	(City)	(State)	(Zip)	(County)
Mailing		-		_	-
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Talanhana					
Telephone					
Number(s)	(Homa)		(Work)		(Call)
E mail Addraga	(Home)		(Work)		(Cell)
E-mail Address			0. s. c	Citizen? Yes	S No
Have you ever been a	dmitted to CCC	? Yes_	No	_	
When					
If yes, under what nar	ne?				
Admitted to any other	· Nureing Progr	m? Ve	No.		
Where					
Reason for non-comp	letion				
PRIOR EDUCATIO	ON:				
High School graduation	on date	F	High School GPA		GED
College Degrees					
earned					
Last college					
attended					

Co	CT score (composite) burses presently rolled
	ill you receive a loan or scholarship to assist with your education? YES NO yes, describe you plan to work while you are in the program? YES NO
Do Ao	you plan to work while you are in the program? YES NO gency Phone Hours/week
Ad	Iditional information based on the current Mississippi Board of Nursing LPN ensure application:
1.	Have you ever been convicted of, pled guilty or pled no contest to any charge(s), or are charges pending against you for a felony or misdemeanor, other than a minor traffic violation, in any state or jurisdiction? YES NO If yes, please explain
2.	Have you ever been arrested or convicted for driving under the influence of drugs and/or alcohol? YES NO If yes, please explain
3.	Have you ever been denied licensure/certification, had disciplinary action or is actipending against you by a board of nursing or any other regulatory agency or certification organization in any state or jurisdiction? Yes NO If yes, please explain
4.	Have you ever been placed on a state and/or federal abuse registry? Yes NO If yes, please explain
5.	Have you within the last five years abused drugs/alcohol or been treated for dependency to alcohol or illegal chemical substances? Yes NO If yes, please explain_
6.	Have you ever been disciplined by or administratively discharged by the military? Yes NO If yes, please explain

7.	7. Have you ever been convicted of a felony, or plead guilty to, or plead no contest to a felony of possession or sale of drugs, murder, manslaughter, armed robbery, rape, sexual battery, sex offense listed in Section 45-33-23 (f), child abuse, arson, grand larceny, burglary, gratification of lust or aggravated assault, or felonious abuse and/or battery of a vulnerable adult? YES NO If yes, please explain				
Al	l app	licants should be advised of the following:			
	1.	Any statement made on this application which is the applicant at the time of making such statement and subjects the applicant to disciplinary proceedings.	t, shall be deemed fraudulent		
	2.	According to the State of Mississippi Law and Ru the Practice of Nursing in Mississippi, an individu licensing exam may be denied (See Mississippi N at https://www.msbn.ms.gov/nursing-practice-act	al's application to take the		
	3.	Admission to the Practical Nursing Program may of the criminal background check.	be denied based on the results		
Ιc	ertify	that the information on this application is true and	accurate.		
Ap	plica	ant's Signature	Date		

901 Ohio Street Clarksdale, Mississippi 38614 Office: (662)621-4687

Fax: (662)624-2187 www.coahomacc.edu

Type of Program: Practical Nursing Program

Length of Time: 12 months

Credits required for graduation: 44 hours

Awarded: Certification in Practical Nursing

Estimated Costs/Fees:

Include tuition/related fees and nursing program costs such as books, standardized testing/remediation, uniforms, professional development clinical convention fees, pinning, graduation, NCLEX-PN® fees, etc. as appropriate for each semester.

If a student resides in the dormitory, there is an additional fee of \$1,970.00 additional per semester.

Use the following to access the Estimated Practical Nursing Program Expenses: http://www.coahomacc.edu/programs-of-study/health-sciences/lpn/Student-Cost/practical-nursing-estimated-cost/

Practical Nursing Courses

Semester I

3 Sch	PNV 1213 Body Structure and Function
<u>13</u> Sch	PNV 1443 Nursing Fundamentals and Clinical
16 Sch	

Semester III

12 Sch	PNV 1682 Adult Health Nursing Concepts and Clinical
4 Sch	PNV 1524 IV Therapy and Pharmacology
16 Sch	

Semester III

8 Sch	PNV 1728 Specialty Areas in Nursing
4 Sch	PNV 1914 Nursing Transition
12 Sch	

Total of 44 hours

DRUG ABUSE POLICY

It is the goal of Coahoma Community College to maintain an environment that is free from the effects of intoxicants or other behavior affecting substances. It is the college's belief that a drug-free environment is to the benefit of students and employees of Coahoma Community College as well as the surrounding community.

Once admitted to the practical nursing program, unannounced and/or random drug screens may be done. Also, if a student exhibits any sensory symptoms or behavior indicative of being under the influence of mind-altering substances, a drug screen will be required immediately. Refusal to be tested will result in program dismissal.

All students must have evice	dence of a negative drug	g screen when tested.
policy of Coahoma Commu of myself and acknowledge	unity College. I grant po e consent by this signatu	I and understand the substance use ermission for drug and alcohol testing ure affixed hereto. I grant permission Coahoma Community College.
	lled substances that I ar	iding written documentation from my n taking that could be positively
 Student Signature	 Date	
Student Signature	Date	

*Return this completed form with your application information.

Performance Standards for Admission and Progression

The following performance standards provide descriptions of basic cognitive, sensory, affective, and psychomotor requirements for successful practical nursing program completion. Applicants and students who cannot meet one or more of the standards will be considered on an individual basis regarding whether reasonable modification/accommodation can be made. Reasonable accommodations will be examined according to the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) as well as the Performance Standards for Admission and Progression.

To ensure successful completion of the practical nursing program, an applicant/student must be able to do the following:

1. Demonstrate critical thinking sufficient for clinical judgment.

Examples

- prioritize information and identify cause-effect relationships in the clinical setting
- Contribute to plan of care and make revisions as appropriate
- make decisions using logic, creativity and reasoning to make sound clinical judgments based on standards of nursing care
- demonstrate arithmetic ability to correctly compute dosages, tell time, and use measuring tools

2. Display interpersonal skills sufficient to interact with individuals, families, and groups in a variety of settings in the community.

Examples

- respect differences among clients and exhibit an attitude accepting of clients as individuals
- establish rapport to communicate effectively with clients, families, significant others, and health team members
- work effectively in small groups as a team member and a team leader
- recognize crises and institute appropriate interventions to help resolve adverse situations

3. **Demonstrate appropriate verbal and written communication skills.** *Examples*

- speak English coherently to clients, families, and other staff members
- clearly, explain treatment procedures and initiate health teaching for clients, families, or groups based on assessed needs, available resources, age, lifestyle, and cultural considerations
- provide clear, understandable written client documentation based upon proper use of the English language

 convey critical information to other caregivers through graphic, print, and/or electronic media in an accurate, timely, and comprehensible manner

4. Exhibit physical ability sufficient to assist clients in meeting the health care needs in a variety of settings, including moving from room-to-room, to maneuver in small spaces, and to negotiate stairwells when necessary.

Examples

- physical mobility and strength sufficient to propel wheelchairs, stretchers, etc. through doorways and close fitting areas alone or with assistance
- stand, walk up to 75% of 6 to 12-hour shifts
- stoop, bend, squat, reach overhead as required to reach equipment and provide nursing care
- lift a minimum of 20 pounds of weight
- transfer/position up to 300 pounds with assistance while lifting, positioning and transferring clients
- provide for activities of daily living (bed bath, oral hygiene, dressing, etc.)
- perform CPR satisfactorily and respond quickly in an emergency situation

5. Demonstrate gross and fine motor abilities sufficient to provide safe and effective nursing care.

Examples

- demonstrate physical dexterity and coordination in the delivery of care, treatment, and medications
- hold skin taut with one hand while inserting the needle in skin or vein with other hand and perform other procedures requiring the use of 2 hands
- pick up, grasp, and effectively manipulate small objects such as vials, syringes, switches
- calibrate and use equipment
- maintain sterile technique when performing sterile procedures

6. Display auditory, visual, and tactile ability sufficient to safely assess and care for clients.

Examples

- hear monitors, alarms, emergency signals, lung/heart sounds, bowel sounds, and cries for help, telephone, intercom interactions, and public address systems (codes)
- perceive and receive verbal communications from clients, families, and health team members
- read written words and information on paper and computer screens, small print, gauges, measuring cups, syringes, and other equipment
- discriminate colors: changes in color, size and continuity of body parts
- discriminate alterations in normal body activities such as breathing patterns and level of consciousness

- observe hazards in the environment (water spills, safety rails, restraints) and harmful situations
- perform physical assessment: palpate pulses, feel for heat or cold, tap body surfaces

PLEASE CHECK:	
I do not require special accommodation	ons to meet the performance standards.
I will need the following accommoda	tions to meet performance standards.
Please list	
I understand the requirements and feel that I of described in the Practical Nursing Program.	can achieve the performance standards
Signature	Date

*Return this completed form with your application information.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION SIGNATURE FORM

All students who will be providing direct patient care in health care institutions regulated by the MS Department of Health should be aware that Mississippi law requires background checks for individuals seeking employment in a healthcare facility.

According to the Mississippi State Law, an individual may not be eligible for employment if the criminal history record check discloses a felony conviction, guilty plea or plea of nolo contendere to a felony of possession or sale of drugs, murder, manslaughter, armed robbery, rape, sexual battery, sex offense listed in Section 45-33-23 (f), child abuse, arson, grand larceny, burglary, gratification of lust or aggravated assault, or felonious abuse and/or battery of a vulnerable adult that has not been reversed on appeal or for which a pardon has not been granted.

Each student must submit a criminal background clinical clearance letter. If a student does not receive a letter of clinical clearance following fingerprinting, the CCC Health Science Review Committee will determine clinical clearance according to the Student Background Policy as stated in the CCC Student Handbook for Health Science Programs.

http://www.coahomacc.edu/programs-of-study/health-sciences/index

A clinical clearance letter must be provided to the Practical Nursing Program for student to be able to meet the clinical agency practice requirements of the program.				
I,	have read and understand the above			
	State Law requiring background checks for			
individuals providing direct patient care in health care institutions regulated by				
Department of Health.				
Signature of Student				
Date of Signature				

*Return this completed form with your application packet.

Coahoma Community College Information Sheet for the TEAS V (Test of Essential Academic Skills)

What is the TEAS V? The TEAS V is a computerized pre-entrance test required for all applicants to the Coahoma Community College (CCC) Associate Degree Nursing Program (ADN) and Practical Nursing Program (PN). The TEAS V is used to evaluate applicants for admission to both nursing programs. The TEAS V is only one of several criteria used in the selection process. The TEAS V evaluates four (4) different academic areas-reading, math, science, and English.

How do I prepare for the TEAS V? The TEAS V Study Guide is available for sale in the CCC Bookstore or online at www.atitesting.com.

How do I register to take the TEAS V? Complete and submit the TEAS V Registration Form along with a \$65.00 money order at least one week before the test date chosen. (See TEAS V Registration Form)

Where do I take the TEAS V? The TEAS V is given on computer at the CCC Workforce Center at 510 Sunbelt Drive, Clarksdale, MS (located on Highway 49 South), phone number (662) 627-9139. Parking is available in the front of the building.

- All applicants must create an account online before the day of testing
 - o Go to www.atitesting.com
 - At the top left of the screen go to Sign In and click the tab Create an Account
 - o Fill in the information
 - Create a user name and password (write it down so you will remember it on the day of the test)
 - o After filling in the information click Register
- Bring a picture ID on the day of the test. Applicants will not be allowed to test without it.
- Calculators are not allowed.

What do I need to make on the TEAS V to pass? A TEAS V passing score has not been set. Practical Nursing applicants will be compared by rank and Associate Degree Nursing applicants will be compared by rank. Other criteria will also be used for the selection process.

How often can I take the TEAS V?

Applicants may take the TEAS V no more than once a year.

Where do I submit the TEAS V Registration Form? <u>Practical Nursing Applicants</u>

Wendy Brumfield Harris 901 Ohio St Clarksdale, MS 38614

COAHOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE TEAS V Registration Form

Name
Mailing Address
Email address
Phone number
Please indicate your choice of test dates. You will receive confirmation by email. PAYMENT FOR THE TEAS (MONEY ORDER) MUST BE SUBMITTED ALONG WITH THE APPLICATION
Note: There will be many applications for the TEAS V test slots. If you hesitate to sign up for testing, there may be no testing slots open especially toward the end of the application deadline. Also, once the testing date for the TEAS V is selected, a 48 hour notice is required to change the testing date. Dates for the TEAS V: 9AM Wednesday, March 17 Wednesday, March 24 Wednesday, March 31
Friday, April 9Wednesday, April 14Friday, April 16Wednesday, April 21Friday, April 23Enclosed is my money order for \$65.00 made payable to Coahoma Community College. (Required)
All applicants must have taken the TEAS V and submitted their completed application by April 30 to be considered for admission to the Practical Nursing Program.
Submit the TEAS V Registration form to: Practical Nursing Applicants Attention: Wendy Brumfield Harris 901 Ohio St Clarksdale, MS 38614 (662) 621-4687 Check List for Completion of Application to the Practical Nursing Program

1.	Completion of application process with CCC Admission Office; contact CCC Admission Office regarding admission status (662)-621-4176 or 1-866-470-1CCC.
	e following to the Practical Nursing Program, 901 Ohio Street, Clarksdale,
MS, 3801	4, (662) 621-4687, by mail or in person.
2.	Completed CCC Practical Nursing application form
3.	Official copy of transcript(s) from each college/university attended if applicable.
4.	Official copy ACT (American College Test)
5.	Registration for TEAS V with \$65 money order
	(Optional-purchase TEAS V Study Manual from Bookstore or online at
	www.atitesting.com or CCC Bookstore to prepare for TEAS V)
5.	Official high school transcript or GED
6.	Signed nursing program performance standards
7.	Signed criminal background check information form
8.	Signed drug policy understanding
9.	Copy of social security card
For Stude	nts Requesting Readmission to Practical Nursing Program-please provide a
letter which	ch includes the following (in addition to the requirements listed above):
11.	Request for readmission
	Reason(s) applicant did not complete the program
13.	Personal action plan for success

All application information must be received by the Practical Nursing Program no later than **April 30**th to be considered. **Incomplete applications WILL NOT be considered**.

Note-TEAS V registration and payment can be submitted before and separate from the other required application documents.

Submit COMPLETE application packet to the attention of Wendy Harris, Coahoma Community College Practical Nursing Program, at 901 Ohio Street, Clarksdale, MS 38614 by mail or in person.

General Timeline for the process:

- Taking applications from February 1, 2021 April 30, 2021
- Deadline for accepting applications April 30, 2021
- Acceptance or non-acceptance letter will be mailed by June 4, 2021
- Students who are accepted into the program will submit confirmation to accept program admission within <u>one week of admission letter</u> – no later than **June 11**, 2021.
- Students *who are accepted* into the program will submit additional required documentation by *July 30, 2021*.

Coahoma Community College Practical Nursing Program

Action Plan for Success (Must be completed by students applying for **readmission** to program)

Name	Date			
2.	Year and Course unsuccessful in program			
4.	Check other contributing factors you think played a role of unsuccessful performance in the program: (Check all that apply)			
	Academic Factors [] Reading comprehension	S		
	Personal Factors [] Personal illness/crisis			
	Family Factors [] Family illness/crisis [] Child care [] Lack of family support [] Other List_			
	Work Factors [] Worked too many hours List # hours worked [] Work and school schedule conflict [] Other List			
	Financial Factors [] No financial support [] Other List			
5.	Which resources did you utilize while in the program (check all that apply): [] Faculty advisement	1		
6.	List other resources you think would have assisted your success in the program.			

7.	After identifying your challenges for success in the program, did you seek assistance? Yes No If yes, who and when did you seek assistance?
8.	If your performance was due to factors listed in #3 or #4, how will you manage those situations or similar issues if they arise in the future?
9.	What steps have you taken to improve factors that led to your inability to progree in the program?
10.	List three or more actions you have taken to ensure success in the program if readmitted:
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