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Subject: Licensed Practical Nurse Teaching Certified Nursing Assistant Students

Statewide Email to: District Career and Technical Education Directors and Florida College Occupational Deans

Dear Colleagues:

Please find the attached memorandum regarding requirements for a licensed practical nurse teaching certified nursing assistant students.

Please contact Tracy Yacobellis at 850-245-9018 or tracy.yacobellis1@fldoe.org if you have questions or if you need additional information.

Thank you,

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Career and Technical Education Directors
Technical Center Directors
Florida College Occupational Deans

FROM: Rod Duckworth *RD*

DATE: November 17, 2015

SUBJECT: Licensed Practical Nurse Teaching Certified Nursing Assistant Students

The Florida Board of Nursing (BON) [Rule 64B9-15.005](#), F.A.C., Standards for Certified Nursing Assistant Training Programs, has been amended and became effective on 9/9/2015. The amendment introduced new language that states in subsection (3)(a) “a program instructor shall hold a clear, active Florida license to practice either practical nursing or professional nursing.” The rule also requires that the program coordinator be a Florida Licensed Registered Nurse (RN). Therefore, a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) may only teach Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) students under the supervision of the program coordinator who must be a Florida licensed RN. Please review [Rule 64B9-15.005](#), F.A.C., as additional amendments were made beyond instructor qualifications.

This amendment will allow school districts and state colleges to utilize LPNs to teach Nursing Assistant training programs in both the standalone Nursing Assistant programs (specifically 8417210, H170690 and H170602) as well as the Nursing Assistant training courses (8418310, HSC0003, HCP0121) embedded in larger programs including Practical Nursing (8418300 and H170605), Patient Care Assistant (H170692) and Patient Care Technician (H170694). The LPN may be utilized to teach the CNA courses within the Practical Nursing program when the school is operating a Board of Nursing approved Nursing Assistant training program in addition to their approved Practical Nursing program.

Districts intending to utilize LPNs to teach CNA students will need to certify these instructors under the new district issued teacher certification, LPN 7 G. The LPN 7 G certification requirements can be found in the [CTE \(Career and Technical Education\) Teacher Certification](#) file. These changes will be retroactively inserted into the 2015-2016 curriculum frameworks of the aforementioned health science programs.

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