

**Big Sandy Community & Technical College
Practical Nursing (PN) Diploma Check Sheet**

Prior to enrolling in the first practical nursing course (NPN), a student must:

- Complete **CPR for Health Care Provider** certification. This must be maintained throughout the program.
- Provide documentation of successful completion of **NAA 100** or equivalent within the past three years **OR** active status on the **Medicaid Nurse Aide Registry**.
- Provide documentation of **computer literacy** either by competency exam or by successfully completing a computer literacy course. (CIS 100 will fulfill this requirement.)
- Complete the following General Education and Support Courses:

General Education & Support Courses		Hours	Semester Completed
ENG 101	Writing I OR	3	
COM 252	Interpersonal Communications OR	(3)	
COM 181	Basic Public Speaking	(3)	
BIO 137	Human Anatomy & Physiology	4	
BIO 139	Human Anatomy & Physiology II	4	
PSY 110	General Psychology	3	
PSY 223	Developmental Psychology	3	
AHS 115	Medical Terminology OR	3	
OST 103	Medical Office Terminology	(3)	
	Subtotal	20	

Practical Nursing Courses

First Semester (Fall)		Hours	Semester Completed
NPN 101	Nursing Fundamentals	6	
NPN 111	Pharmacology	3	
NPN 125	Mental Health	3	
NPN 135	Intro to Health Deviation	6	
Second Semester (Spring)		Hours	Semester Completed
NPN 201	Child Bearing Family	3	
NPN 202	Med-Surg I Alterations	6	
NPN 206	Med-Surg II Alterations	6	
NPN 215	Nursing Trends & Issues	1	
Third Semester (Summer)		Hours	Semester Completed
NPN 210	Clinical Practicum	4	
	Subtotal	38	
	Total Credits	58	

Recommended Electives

MAT 110	Applied Math	(3)	
FHM 100	Dosage Calculations	(2)	
AHS 105	Intro to Health Occupations	(3)	
NSG 299	Selected Topics in Nursing	(1-4)	

Note: This curriculum plan only includes courses available at Big Sandy Community & Technical College. Please refer to the KCTCS catalog for a complete list of courses accepted for this credential.

Upon successful completion of the program of study, the graduate will be awarded a diploma in practical nursing. KBN will then determine the graduate's eligibility to take the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX-PN) to become a Licensed Practical Nurse.

The Practical Nursing Program at Big Sandy Community & Technical College is approved by the Kentucky Board of Nursing (KBN).