



NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY COLLEGE SYSTEM

H. Martin Lancaster, President

April 12, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: Chief Academic Officers
Senior Continuing Education Administrators
Nurse Aide Coordinators

FROM: Barbara Boyce
Director of Continuing Education
North Carolina Community College System

SUBJECT: Vendor Training Workshops - Nurse Aide I Competency Testing

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) recently awarded a contract to Promissor, Inc. to provide uniform statewide Nurse Aide I competency testing services. Attached you will find a memo that gives you a brief overview of their company. Promissor will be conducting three workshops across the state to explain the new testing procedures for Nurse Aide I that will begin July 1, 2006. The workshops will be held on the dates and locations listed below:

May 17, 2006 Western Piedmont CC
May 18, 2006 Central Carolina CC
May 19, 2006 Wayne CC

All workshops are from 9:00 am – 12:00 am. The deadline for registration is April 28, 2006. At a minimum, the Division of Facility Services has recommended that colleges send their Nurse Aide I Program Coordinator and primary instructor to this training. If you have questions concerning the training, the contact information is contained in their memo.

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Attachments

c: Presidents
Dr. Larry Keen
Dr. Delores Parker
Ms. Hazel Slocumb

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Email

April 10, 2006

To: All Approved North Carolina Nurse Aide I Training Programs and Interested Providers

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) recently awarded a contract to Promissor, Inc., to provide uniform statewide Nurse Aide I competency testing services using the National Nurse Aide Assessment Program (NNAAP™), developed jointly by the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc. (NCSBN) and Promissor. Promissor will begin administering the NNAAP™ examination in North Carolina, effective July 1, 2006. All individuals who wish to be listed on the NC Nurse Aide I Registry must successfully complete this exam.

With the approval of DHHS, Promissor will subcontract with the Nurse Aide Competency Evaluation Services (NACES) to provide support services for the NNAAP™ testing program. NACES is an organization staffed and managed by nursing professionals with more than sixteen (16) years of experience in providing important support services to Promissor's nurse aide testing program. Since 1990, Promissor has processed more than 2 million examinations and 1 million of those have been in conjunction with NACES. We are confident you will find NACES' extensive experience and professionalism to be a benefit to the North Carolina nurse aide testing program.

No doubt the introduction of the NNAAP™ testing program will raise many questions for you such as:

- What will be the content of the examinations?
- What will be the process for registering for the NNAAP examination?
- Where will the examinations be administered?
- How will students be informed of their examination results?
- Will training programs receive any information on student examination performance?

To answer these and many other questions, meetings have been scheduled at three locations across the state to which training programs representatives and interested providers are encouraged to attend; the locations and dates are listed below. Please select the site that is most convenient for you, complete the enclosed reservation form and return it promptly to NACES. Space is limited and is on a first-come, first-serve basis. We are asking training programs to limit the number of attendees to 3 individuals, with preference given to the program coordinator, a primary instructor and program administrator. Interested providers are asked to limit their representatives to one from each facility or agency group. For example, if a company owns 5 facilities/agencies, please send one individual to represent your 5 facilities/agencies. This will ensure there are spaces to accommodate the numbers we are expecting.

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Session # 1

Wednesday May 17, 2006, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Moore Hall Leviton Auditorium
Western Piedmont Community College
1001 Burkemont Avenue (off of interstate 40, at exit 103)
Morganton

Session # 2

Thursday May 18, 2006, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Lecture Hall, Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center
Central Carolina Community College
1801 Nash Street
Sanford

Session #3

Friday May 19, 2006, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Wayne Community College's Auditorium
3000 Wayne Memorial Drive (off of highway 70)
Goldsboro

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact NACES at 888-282-6904. The following individuals will be happy to help you.

Sharon Roy - extension 194
Cheryl Adams - extension 187

Questions for Promissor can be addressed by contacting Diana Brosko-Carelli, Account Manager for the North Carolina Nurse Aide Program, at 1-800-274-3444 ext 5026.

Sincerely,

Gary K. Esquerre
Executive Director, Health and Certification Services

Cc: North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Facility Services
NACES

Enclosure (1)

North Carolina Training Coordinator/Instructor/Provider Workshop Registration Form

Promissor and NACES will be conducting three (3) workshops for Nurse Aide Training Coordinators/Instructors.

Please print the names of the people who will be attending from your site:

1. _____ Program Coordinator 2. _____ Primary Instructor

3. _____

Name of Training Program: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone number during business hours: _____ Fax Number: _____

You will receive confirmation by mail or fax.

I (we) would like to attend workshop in (Please check one option)

Workshop #1 _____

Wednesday, May 17, 2006
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.
Western Piedmont Community College
Moore Hall Leviton Auditorium
1001 Burkemont Avenue
Morganton, NC 28655

Workshop #2 _____

Thursday, May 18, 2006
9:00a.m. - 12:00 a.m.
Central Carolina Community College
Lecture Hall (Dennis A. Wicker Civic Center)
1801 Nash Street
Sanford, NC 27330

Workshop #3 _____

Friday, May 19, 2006
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 a.m.
Wayne Community College
Auditorium
3000 Wayne Memorial Drive
Goldsboro, NC 27533

Complete and mail or fax to:

NACES Plus Foundation, Inc.
7600 Burnet Road, Suite 440
Austin, Texas 78757
FAX: 512-452-3842

Questions? Please contact NACES at 1-888-282-6904, and ask for Sharon Roy at extension 194 or Cheryl Adams at extension 187.

TO ATTEND, NACES MUST RECEIVE YOUR REGISTRATION FORM BY
FRIDAY, April 28, 2006.