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PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE/CERTIFICATION DISCLOSURES

Background

Valley College offers several programs leading to professional licensure and/or certification within the State of Ohio and West Virginia. States vary in what professions they require to be licensed and how licensure functions. Some states require an individual to graduate from an approved program. Others require an individual to meet the certification requirements of a national organization. A specific amount of training can also be required as well as passage of an exam based on a state requisite exam score. It is each individual's responsibility to understand, evaluate, and comply with requirements relating to national certification exams and all requirements for obtaining licensure in the specific state in which he or she intends to practice, as educational requirements may vary widely including, but not limited to, the number of clinical hours required by the state as well as specific coursework.

Relocation

Relocating during a program/or after graduation to another state may impact whether the student can remain in the program and/or meet the state licensure requirements. Prior to considering relocation, please contact your Program Head to discuss authorization and licensure eligibility requirements. Many licensure boards require more than successful degree completion to obtain a license. Please be advised that state laws, regulations, and policies may change at any time. Changes in requirements can impact the program's ability to meet educational requirements for licensure. Students who intend to return or move to any state other than Ohio need to review the professional licensure disclosures pertaining to their program and consult with the state professional licensing board. The state professional licensing boards make the ultimate decision as to whether an individual will be eligible to sit for licensure based on the rules and regulations in place at the time the individual submits their application for licensure.

It is the responsibility of the student completing the licensure program to check with the licensing board(s) in their state of residence or in the state in which they intend to obtain a license for the most recent information and requirements. Valley College shall not be held liable if the student is unable to qualify for licensure or certification in any jurisdiction or cannot obtain a practicum/internship location.

Practical Nursing Program

The curriculum of the Practical Nursing program at Valley College has been designed to prepare students to take the national licensure examination for practical nurses (NCLEX-PN) and to meet the licensure requirements in Ohio. Valley College has not determined whether its Practical Nursing program curriculum meets the requirements of any other states besides Ohio.

To obtain the contact information for the nursing professional licensing boards in different states, please see the <u>National Council of State</u> Boards of Nursing contact page.

For questions regarding licensure, please contact the Program Administrator.

Veterinary Technician Program

All AVMA (American Veterinary Medicine Association) CVTEA-accredited programs in veterinary technology must meet the Standards of Accreditation of the CVTEA to ensure the quality of the educational experience and the assessment of student knowledge and skills. To be eligible to take the Veterinary Technician National Exam and become a Registered Veterinary Technician, you must graduate from an AVMA-CVTEA accredited program.

The curriculum of the Veterinary Technician program at Valley College has been designed to prepare students to take the licensure examination for and to meet the RVT licensure requirements in Ohio. Valley College - Cleveland is accredited from the CVTEA (Committee on Veterinary Technician Education and Activities) for its Veterinary Technician degree program

Valley College has not determined whether its Veterinary Technician program curriculum meets the requirements of any other state besides Ohio.

To obtain the contact information for the veterinary technician professional licensing boards in different states, please see https://www.aavsb.org/public-resources/look-up-a-license/.

For questions regarding licensure, please contact the Program Head.

Nursing Associate Program

The curriculum of the Nursing Associate program at Valley College has been designed to prepare students to take the national licensure examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) and to meet the licensure requirements in West Virginia. Valley College received confirmation that the Maryland Board of Nursing Out of State Nursing Program that our graduates are eligible to take the NCLEX examination or apply for endorsement in the State of Maryland, should they choose to do so.

https://mbon.maryland.gov/Documents/approved-out-of-state-rn-lpn-nursing-education-programs.pdf

Valley College has not determined whether its Nursing Associate degree program curriculum meets the requirements of any other state besides Virginia, Pennsylvania, Maryland, and West Virginia.

To obtain the contact information for the nursing professional licensing boards in different states, please see the <u>National Council of State</u> <u>Boards of Nursing contact</u> page. https://www.ncsbn.org/contact-bon.htm

For questions regarding licensure, please contact the Program Administrator.

Medical Clinical Assistant (MCA)

Medical Clinical Assistant – Most states do not require Medical Assistants to hold certification. However, many healthcare employers may require or prefer certification. Students who graduate from this program are eligible to sit for the National Healthcareer Association (NHA) Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) exam. Valley College does not require students to sit for certification and does not offer a course designed solely for exam preparation. However, the curriculum has been thoughtfully aligned with the NHA's Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) Test Plan, which outlines the knowledge and skills assessed on the certification exam. The current test plan is available on the NHA website at www.nhanow.com. Valley College cannot guarantee a candidate's eligibility to sit for or pass a certification exam. Students are not automatically certified upon graduation.

For questions regarding licensure, please contact the Online Director of Academic Affairs.