

# Nursing Refresher Program

*... a flexible alternative to traditional programs*

Program includes online instruction, a laboratory course and a clinical preceptorship and is appropriate for both RNs and LVNs. Nurses review basic medical surgical nursing knowledge and skills in preparation for returning to the clinical setting.

## ***Who should attend this program?***

This program is designed for:

- 1) currently licensed nurses (RN/LVN) who have been away from the clinical setting for a period of time (typically more than 4 years) and wants a good medical/surgical refresher before going back to the clinical setting;
- 2) nurses that are applying for reinstatement of their Texas nursing license and need and are required to complete a "nursing refresher course";
- 3) or nurses that are applying for Texas nursing licensure coming from another state/country (nurse must be eligible for Texas licensure), and are required to complete a "nursing refresher course".

## ***Program Objectives:***

The following program objectives meet the Texas Board of Nurse Examiners' (BNE, [www.bne.state.tx.us](http://www.bne.state.tx.us)) expectations for nursing refresher courses: current nursing roles in the clinical setting; nursing process to include assessment, planning, implementation and evaluation; systems review; skills review; pharmacology review; medication administration; documentation, quality assurance and legal implications for nursing practice; and a RN supervised clinical experience (preceptorship) providing direct patient care. **Note:** CPR is not included in this program, but is required as a prerequisite for the program and is required by the BNE to complete a nursing refresher. CPR courses are available through local community colleges. Students must complete all segments of the program to meet requirements for reinstatement of licensure. Continuing nursing education (CNE) credits cannot be given for this program, as they include review of basic nursing knowledge.

***For registration information contact your community college:***

***For additional information: <http://nurserefresher.austincc.edu>***