

Employment Opportunities

- Institutional Nursing (all levels of hospitals, home care facilities for the elderly, special children /individuals)
- Community nursing settings (rural health units/health centers, nurse managed health clinics)
- Occupational health nursing (school settings, industrial setting)
- Private duty Nursing (hospitals, home care)
- EntrepreNursing (provision of healthcare services and at the same time meeting the socio-economic needs of fellow Filipino nurses subject to existing government rules and regulations)
- Medical Tourism
- Day care Centers (e.g. pre-school child development tutors utilizing nurses' milestones of growth and development KSAVs)
- Medical Transcription
- Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs)
- Hotels and Restaurants,
- Health and Social Work,
- Other community, social and personal service activities, and
- Private households as personal care nurses

NURSE



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Be the best
MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Nurse

Anchored on the core values of Love of God, Caring, Love of people and Love of country, the Filipino professional nurse provides safe, humane, quality and holistic care to individuals of varying age, gender and health status; healthy and at risk families; population groups; and community. As a practitioner, professional nurses are responsible for the promotion of health and prevention of illness. As members of the health team, they collaborate with other health care providers for the curative, preventive and rehabilitative aspects of care, restoration of health, alleviation of suffering and end of life care. In the practice of nursing in the hospital, community, wellness centers or clinics, the professional nurse assumes three major roles: (1) provider of direct client care, (2) manager and leader, and (3) researcher.

Functions

- Provides nursing care utilizing the nursing process from conception to death
- Performs health care techniques and procedures, essential newborn care, primary health care, comfort measures, and administers prescribed medical treatments and medications

- Provides health education to individuals, families, population groups and communities
- Establishes linkages with community resources and other stakeholders
- Teaches, guides, and supervises students in nursing education programs
- Supervises and coordinates the administration of nursing services in varied settings such as hospitals and clinics
- Undertakes nursing and health human resource development training and research.

Skills and Competencies

- Ability to apply knowledge of physical sciences, social sciences, health sciences and natural sciences in the delivery of nursing service.
- Utilize the nursing process in the provision of safe, holistic and appropriate nursing care to clients.
- Communicate effectively, orally and in writing using culturally appropriate language.
- Ability to report accurately and comprehensively.
- Work effectively in collaboration with members of the team

- Ability to manage resources and environment to facilitate care of client and maintain safety.

Basic Educational Requirement

The professional nurse has to complete a Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) degree, a four year program offered by college or university duly recognized by the Commission on Higher Education. The BSN program consists of general education courses, professional courses and related learning experiences. Professional courses begin in the first year and threads through the development of competencies up to the fourth year level. The BSN program provides an intensive nursing practicum that refines clinical skills from the first year level to ensure basic clinical competencies required of a beginning nurse practitioner.

Cost of Education

The cost of pursuing a BS in Nursing degree may range from Php 8,900 to Php 50,000 in private schools per semester. The cost is much lower in public universities where tuition fee is around Php 8,500 per semester.