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23 Practical Nurses pinned at GCC

Parents, husbands, fiancées, and partners attached the traditional nurses' pin onto the uniforms of 23 Guam Community College Practical Nursing graduates at the traditional Pinning Ceremony Sunday, December 13th, at the Nikko Hotel Guam.

Captain Jeannie Comlish, Commanding Officer, Naval Hospital Guam, gave the keynote address to the graduates, telling them that with all of the health challenges emerging around the world, "this is a very exciting time to be in the health care industry."

Dr. Mary Okada, GCC President, told the graduates, "nurses are the backbone of our health care system."

The 20 women and three men who completed the rigorous GCC Practical Nursing program are, front row from left: Brenda Presto, Mark Cosico, Melodie Macaraeg, Shernitta Bertrand, Ailyn Jade Cruz, and Florence Ando.

Second row: Solmaz Akhtarpour, Micah Aquino, (not shown) Marie Jane Bacani, Celine Crisostomo, Therese Cruz, Mery Len Denora, Davaryne Diaz, and Ceidree Duenas.

Back row: Joana Takai, Romelyn Romero-Valencia, (not shown) Yuri Resuma, Cassie Nester, Mello Dee Martinez, Meliza Mangahas, Patrick Llaban, Kristan Leon Guerrero, and Michelle Franco.

The graduates must now study for the National Council Licensure Examination, or NCLEX, the examination for the licensing of nurses in the United States and Canada.

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