GUAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE LPN – Quarterly Report April – June 2014

1) The 2013 Practical Nursing program completed with 17 students successfully attaining the curriculum requirements to graduate with a certificate in Practical Nursing. Six out of six students from this cohort have taken their NCLEX exams and have successfully passed. The 2012 cohort currently has a 79% NCLEX-PN pass rate, with five graduates left to take their exam.

2) We began the 2014 Spring semester with a new cohort of 31 students. Currently we have 26 students enrolled and they are expected to complete the program in December 2014. Five students withdrew from the program for personal reasons.

3) The 2014 Practical Nursing students have assisted in the 2014 Agana Shopping Center Employee Health Fair conducting blood pressure, heart rate and wellness checks. During this summer semester the students have learned intermediate nursing skills and participated in clinical rotations at The Guam Behavior Health & Wellness Center, Catholic Social Services, Dementia Clinic and Guam Memorial Hospital. They will also assist with the Government of Guam agencies health fair conducting blood pressures and wellness checks.

4) The certificate in Practical Nursing program prepares students to become Licensed Practical Nurses (LPN). LPNs work in a variety of settings such as hospitals, nursing homes, doctor's offices, home health care, public health departments, schools, and various government programs. Ideally they work under the supervision of Registered Nurses.

Students who successfully complete the three semester program will be eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). This exam is administered by the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN). This exam is administered by the National Council on State Board of Nursing (NCSBN) and will enable students to earn a license in Practical Nursing.

5) Admissions to the LPN program includes: advisement from the Allied Health Department personnel, completion of the pre-nursing requirements, official transcript evaluations, preentrance exam, nursing essay, and a health clearance.

6) The Guam Community College has an open door policy. Anyone has the right to apply and succeed. We are limited by the Rules and Regulations of the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners; which, as do most states, limits the number of students accepted to 10 students for each instructor.

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