## Associate of Science in Practical Nursing Quarterly Report April 1<sup>st</sup> – June 30th

## **Practical Nursing**

- On April 1, 2019 the Nursing & Allied Health Department received initial approval to implement the Associate of Science in Practical Nursing program from the Guam Board of Nurse Examiners (GBNE).
- Following initial approval for the program, the department reached out to its former students and advertised to recruit for its first cohort of twenty students as approved and recommended by GBNE. We received a total of 30 applicants who received advisement regarding the expectations and requirements for the program.
- The applicants followed the admission requirements in order to qualify for entry into the program and include the following:
  - a. Advisement from the Nursing & Allied Health Administrator or Practical Nursing Faculty.
  - b. Completion of general education requirements with a cumulative grade point average of 2.5 or higher
  - c. National League for Nursing Pre-admission entrance exam for Practical Nurses
  - d. Submission of a one-page, typed, double-spaced essay entitled "Why I want to be a Nurse."
- Currently, the students from our cohort who are lacking the one credit lab components of Anatomy & Physiology are taking Anatomy & Physiology part I and II as well as the Dosage Calculations course this summer. These courses will help prepare them for the upcoming nursing courses in the fall.
- This coming fall semester students will be taking NU110 Nursing Foundations and NU160 Pharmacology. Clinical rotations for the Nursing Foundations course will be conducted at Guam Memorial Hospital's Skilled Nursing Unit. The Department will continue to seek additional clinical opportunities for students to meet the learning needs and objectives of the program.
- The Department has hired one new faculty member for the Practical Nursing Program, Mr.
  William E. Lee. He has extensive experience as a travel nurse working in various units in the hospital as well as experience working as a clinical instructor. He is currently working on his Doctorate in Nursing with Chamberlin University. We would like to welcome him to our Department.

Signed// Dorothy-Lou M. Duenas MSN, RN Nursing & Allied Health Administrator 03 July 2019