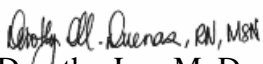


Nursing & Allied Health Department
April – June 2020

PRACTICAL NURSING

- Twenty declared PN students began their second semester of the Associate of Science in Practical Nursing program. However, one student withdrew from the program for personal reasons. They began their nursing clinical practice at the Guam Memorial Hospital on the Surgical and Medical Surgical units in February.
The Spring 2020 courses for clinical practice included:
 - o NU220 Adult Medical Surgical Nursing (Lecture, Lab & Clinical)
 - o NU230 Maternal & Newborn Concepts & Skills (Lecture, Lab & Clinical)
 - o NU240 Pediatric Nursing Concepts & Skills (Lecture, Lab & Clinical)
- The students were able to complete over fifty percent of their clinical hours before COVID-19 hit with approximately 60 hours remaining for NU220 Med-Surg and 45 hours each for Pediatrics and Maternal Newborn clinical practice.
- As a result of the Governor's Public Health Emergency Declaration all health care personnel particularly nurses and potential qualified nurses were called to action to respond to the COVID crisis. All PN faculty were mobilized and placed into various DPHSS sites such as the Guam International Airport, Call Triage Center and Nursing Resource Command Center.
- Additionally, 14 out of 19 students willingly stepped up to the call to respond to the COVID crisis. Some took on extra hours at their clinic sites, some utilized their licenses as CNA's and others took advantage of the temporary nursing license opportunity and applied to the Department of Public Health and Social Services and began working right away to assist with the COVID crisis. They were placed in all areas such as GIAA, Port Authority, Quarantine and Isolation sites, Isolation & Surveillance teams and other DPHSS clinic centers.
- We are extremely proud of our students and their willingness to respond to the call to protect our community from COVID-19. They will be moving into their final semester in August and will prepare to take the following courses: NU292 Medical Surgical II, NCLEX-Review and transition, Nursing Trends and Mental Health Nursing.


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