

June 2010

Dear Graduate,

The faculty of Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing is actively involved in on-going evaluation to determine the quality and effectiveness of our program of studies. As a graduate you can provide valuable assistance in the process. In the past we have received and incorporated suggestions from graduates. We would appreciate your completing the enclosed Graduate Follow-Up Questionnaire.

Enclosed in this packet is an Employer Questionnaire. Please give this to your immediate supervisor, preferably the one who writes your performance evaluation.

Please return your questionnaire by July 1, 2010. You may return the questionnaire in the self-addressed envelope or by faxing it to 200-5239.

On-line access to the surveys is also available to print or to be completed and submitted on-line for both you and your employer. To access, go to www.centrahealth.com, click on Schools of Nursing, and proceed to click on the link for graduates, or their employers of Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing needing to complete one or five year follow-up surveys.

We value feedback from you and your employer. The data obtained will be confidential and used only for program evaluation. Thank you in advance for providing information to assist us in improving the program of studies.

Sincerely,

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Educational Effectiveness Committee

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Enclosures

Lynchburg General Hospital
School of Nursing

GRADUATE FOLLOW-UP QUESTIONNAIRE

Name _____ Year of Graduation _____
(Last, First, Middle/Maiden)

Address _____

I. Demographic Data

A. Employment Status

1. Are you currently licensed to practice nursing?

Yes _____ State _____
No _____

2. Did you pass the NCLEX Examination on the first attempt?

Yes _____ No _____

3. Are you actively employed in nursing at this time?

Yes _____ No _____
Part-Time _____
Full-Time _____ Place:

Type of Unit:

Are you currently seeking employment in nursing? Outside of nursing?

Yes _____ No _____ Yes _____ No _____

B. Education

1. Are you currently attending college or have you attended since graduation?

Yes _____ No _____
a. If yes: Name of School _____
Degree pursued: Nursing _____
Other Field (please specify) _____

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b. If no: Do you plan to attend college in the future?

Yes ____ No ____

2. Have you received specialty certification (ie. ACLS, CCRN, Med Surg, PALS)?

Yes ____ (Specify)_____

No ____

3. Have you participated in continuing education programs since graduation?

Yes ____ Inservices____ Professional Seminars____

No ____

C. Memberships: Professional and Civic

1. Are you a member of:

a. Alumni Association of Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing?

Yes ____ No ____

b. Other professional organizations?

Yes ____ (Specify)_____

No ____

2. Have you participated in a professional capacity in community activities?

Yes ____ (Specify)_____

No ____

3. Do you participate in community or religious organizations?

Yes ____ (Specify)_____

No ____

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II. School Goals

Instructions: Listed below are the School Goals of Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing. Please circle the appropriate number to indicate how well you think you have achieved the goals.

The purpose of Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing is to provide qualified men and women with educational experience which will result in their developing the knowledge, attitudes and competencies to practice as registered nurses in entry level position in the community they serve. The goals are to prepare graduates to:

	<u>Below</u>			<u>Average</u>		<u>Above</u>
	<u>Average</u>			<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>
A. Obtain licensure to practice as a Registered Nurse through successful completion of the NCLEX-RN Examination.	1	2	3	4	5	
B. Function as beginning practitioners of nursing in acute, intermediate, long term, and ambulatory health care settings.	1	2	3	4	5	
C. Utilize the nursing process as the foundation for the delivery of health care to the individual, family, and community.	1	2	3	4	5	
D. Act in a self-directed manner in pursuit of continuing education, and in personal, and professional growth.	1	2	3	4	5	
E. Demonstrate responsibility as a contributing member of the community.	1	2	3	4	5	

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III. Curriculum Objectives

Instructions: Listed below are the curriculum objectives for Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing. Please circle the appropriate number for the qualifying statements under the objective to indicate how well you have attained the objective.

At the completion of the Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing curriculum the graduate:

OBJECTIVE I: Functions as a beginning practitioner in acute, intermediate, ambulatory, and long-term health care services and settings in the care of individuals, families, and groups of all ages.

	<u>Below Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above Average</u>
A. Identifies patient needs	1	2	3	4	5
B. Provides basic nursing care.	1	2	3	4	5
C. Performs basic nursing skills.	1	2	3	4	5
D. Documents appropriate data thoroughly and concisely.	1	2	3	4	5
E. Includes families/significant others in care.	1	2	3	4	5

OBJECTIVE II: Utilizes the nursing process to promote, maintain, and restore adaptive responses for individuals, families, and groups at various developmental stages throughout the life cycle.

	<u>Below Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above Average</u>
A. Obtains accurate data by using appropriate assessment skills.	1	2	3	4	5
B. Plans therapeutic nursing intervention based on data gathered through assessment.	1	2	3	4	5
C. Administers therapeutic nursing interventions by using an interaction between technical and psychosocial skills.	1	2	3	4	5
D. Evaluates patient response to therapeutic nursing interventions.	1	2	3	4	5

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OBJECTIVE III: Practices nursing based on a theoretical body of knowledge, ethical principles, and legal standards.

	<u>Below</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above</u>
	<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>
A. Applies a scientific knowledge base in the practice of nursing.	1	2	3	4	5
B. Uses critical thinking skills in decision making related to nursing judgment.	1	2	3	4	5
C. Applies ethical principles in decision making.	1	2	3	4	5
D. Functions according to legal guidelines and institutional policies established for Registered Nurses.	1	2	3	4	5

OBJECTIVE IV: Utilizes the principles of management/leadership in coordinating care for individuals, families and groups and collaborating with members of the interdisciplinary health care team.

	<u>Below</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above</u>
	<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>
A. Collaborates with members of the health care team in order to enhance care.	1	2	3	4	5
B. Applies principles of organization and time management.	1	2	3	4	5
C. Functions effectively as a team member.	1	2	3	4	5
D. Serves as a role model for nursing and ancillary personnel.	1	2	3	4	5

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OBJECTIVE V: Employs scientific knowledge and therapeutic use of self to assist individuals to strive for optimal health or to prepare for death.

		<u>Below</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above</u>
		<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>
A.	Employs therapeutic communication abilities in the provision of patient care.	1	2	3	4	5
B.	Teaches individuals and families at their level of understanding.	1	2	3	4	5
C.	Practices nursing in a nonjudgmental manner.	1	2	3	4	5
D.	Ensures the dignity, privacy, and rights of others.	1	2	3	4	5

OBJECTIVE VI: Demonstrates responsibility and accountability for professional practice.

		<u>Below</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above</u>
		<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>
A.	Accepts responsibility for nursing judgments.	1	2	3	4	5
B.	Employs measures to ensure client safety.	1	2	3	4	5
C.	Analyzes own behavior to improve performance.	1	2	3	4	5
D.	Utilizes appropriate resources in provision of patient care.	1	2	3	4	5

OBJECTIVE VII: Utilizes opportunities for continuing personal and professional development.

		<u>Below</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above</u>
		<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Average</u>
A.	Utilizes self-awareness and suggestions for improvement to enhance performance.	1	2	3	4	5

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	<u>Below Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above Average</u>
B. Attends continuing education or staff development programs.	1	2	3	4	5
C. Participates on nursing and institutional committees if opportunity is available.	1	2	3	4	5
D. Seeks new learning opportunities.	1	2	3	4	5

OBJECTIVE VIII: Participates in health related community services.

	<u>Below Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above Average</u>
A. Contributes to activities that enhance the image of nursing.	1	2	3	4	5
B. Participates in community health promotion activities.	1	2	3	4	5

IV. Satisfaction

A. Rate your overall preparation in the following areas:

	<u>Below Average</u>		<u>Average</u>		<u>Above Average</u>
1. Critical Thinking	1	2	3	4	5
2. Interpersonal and Communication Skills	1	2	3	4	5
3. Capacity for Therapeutic Nursing Intervention	1	2	3	4	5
B. Rate your preparation for professional nursing practice.	1	2	3	4	5
C. Rate your preparation for the licensure examination.	1	2	3	4	5
D. Rate your overall satisfaction with Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing.	1	2	3	4	5

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
E. Would you recommend Lynchburg General Hospital School of Nursing to others interested in nursing?	1	2
F. In retrospect, would you select a diploma program?	1	2

Comments:

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