

# College of New Caledonia



## NEWS RELEASE

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### **100% of nursing students pass exams for 8<sup>th</sup> straight year**

For the eighth straight year, CNC's practical nursing students have achieved a 100% pass rate on their national licensing exam.

"This is just excellent news because it proves what we have been saying for years -- that we have outstanding instructors and a first-rate nursing program at CNC," said Randall Heidt, Director of Communications and Development. "Every student has passed the national exam since this program started. You just can't get better evidence than that for the quality of education students receive at CNC. We are all very proud of our graduates and instructors."

The Canadian Practical Nursing Registration Exam is a national exam that most provinces use for provincial registration. CNC's practical nursing class of 2010, comprised of 32 graduates, wrote the exam in September 2010 after they successfully completed their practicums in the one-year certificate program and recently received their marks.

The exam is composed of two parts, Part A and Part B. Exam writers are given three and a half hours in the morning and three and a half hours in the afternoon to write it. The exam is made up of approximately 300 multiple choice questions. Some questions are case-based and others are independent.

The practical nursing certificate program begins each September at CNC. One year later, students graduate in late August before writing the national exam.

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