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# CORPSMAN TO PRACTICAL NURSE

Earn your Practical Nurse  
certificate in a GI Bill  
approved program



Illinois Department of  
**Veterans' Affairs**



# MEDICAL CORPSMAN TO PRACTICAL NURSE PROGRAM

Are you a U.S. Navy or Air Force veteran who completed the Medical Education and Training Campus (METC) Basic Medical Technician Corpsman program, or have at least one year of experience using corpsman skills within the last five years?

Are you looking for a quick, less expensive way to get a professional certification and obtain a well-paying job?

College of DuPage, Illinois Central College and Joliet Junior College provide an eight-week, six-credit program customized for veterans who have previous healthcare training with the military (i.e. Corpsman, Med Tech, etc.) so they can become certified as a Licensed Practical Nurse.

Students completing the program will be awarded a Practical Nursing Certificate and will be eligible to sit for the Practical Nurse Licensing Exam (NCLEX-PN).

The course addresses differences in competencies between the METC Basic Medical Technician Corpsman program and those of a practical nursing program. Course components include didactic, clinical and skill validation learning experiences.

With demand for nurses on the rise—according to the Illinois Department of Employment Security—there will be a demand increase of 9.05 percent for LPNs and Vocational

Nurses in Illinois between 2010 and 2020. That represents an estimated 2,115 additional jobs. This is an exceptional opportunity to leverage your military training to accelerate your career aspirations.

## HOW THIS PROGRAM SAVES VETERANS TIME AND MONEY

**Training requirements** are reduced from approximately 1,600 hours to 250 hours (42 credit hours to six credit hours). That's an 18-month reduction.

**Tuition and fees** are reduced from approximately \$15,360 to \$2,950. That's a savings of more than \$12,000 (Costs may vary slightly based on the college you attend).

## PROGRAM DATES

**March 9 to May 8, 2015**  
Joliet Junior College

**June 8 to Aug. 2, 2015**  
College of DuPage

**Aug. 17 to Oct. 10, 2015**  
Illinois Central College

## GI BILL ELIGIBLE AND IN-DISTRICT TUITION

Eligible veterans can use available benefits (Post-9/11 GI Bill, Illinois Veterans Grant, etc.) to cover applicable program expenses.

Students accepted into the program will be charged in-district tuition rates regardless of where they live in Illinois.

Illinois state law provides that any person who is utilizing benefits under the federal Post-9/11 Veterans Educational Assistance Act of 2008 or any subsequent variation of that Act shall be deemed an Illinois resident for tuition purposes.