

## BASIC PREPARATION FOR PARISH NURSES

The parish nurse course is offered through a cooperative relationship between the Ida V. Moffett School of Nursing at Samford University, Alabama WMU, and Baptist Health System.

The course is based on the standardized core curricula developed through the International Parish Nurse Resource Center, in consultation with the National League for Nursing and the American Nurses Association Credentialing Center.

The parish nurse role is a health-promotion, risk-reduction, disease-prevention nursing role that focuses on care of the whole person, holding the spiritual dimensions to be central to the practice.

### OBJECTIVES

The participant will:

- Embrace the integration of faith and health as central to the parish nurse role.
- Demonstrate knowledge, attitude and skills to practice as a beginning parish nurse.
- Value an intercollegial peer system of support.
- Identify a network for continuing development and support.
- Commit to continued spiritual formation to more effectively understand and carry out the parish nurse role.

## COURSE CONTENT MODULES

- Health, Healing, and Wholeness in the Faith Community
- History and Philosophy of Parish Nursing
- Ethics in Parish Nursing
- Legal Issues and Accountability in Parish Nursing
- Self-Care for Parish Nurses
- Assessment: Individual, Family, Faith Community
- Functions of the Parish Nurse:
  - \*Integrator of Faith and Health
  - \*Personal Health Counselor
  - \*Health Educator
  - \*Health Advocate
  - \*Referral Agent
  - \*Coordinator of Volunteers
  - \*Accessing and Developing Support Groups
- Getting Started
- Functioning within a Ministerial Team
- Health Promotion and Wellness
- Prayer and Worship Leader
- Grief and Loss
- Family Violence
- Documentation

### PLANNING FACULTY

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**Additional faculty will present content in their area of expertise.**

## APPLICATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Workplace \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Home \_\_\_\_\_

Work \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Day Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Evening Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Congregation Affiliation:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Do you hold a current, active Registered Nurse license in the state in which you practice?

\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

Are you currently working as a Registered Nurse?

\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

If not, when was your last nursing position held and where? \_\_\_\_\_

My highest level of education in nursing is?

\_\_\_\_\_

Are you currently working as a parish nurse?

\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No (Continued)

If yes, how long have you been a parish nurse? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, is your position  
\_\_\_ Paid \_\_\_ Unpaid

If paid, are you \_\_\_ Institutionally Paid  
\_\_\_ Congregationally Paid

Along with this application, please submit a personal letter addressing why being a parish nurse is important to you at this time in your life. In addition, please include a letter of endorsement by your pastor, institution, or congregational sponsor.

### REGISTRATION

**Course is limited to 25 participants.** A cost of \$550 for the total course includes: course fee, meals, lodging, course materials, continuing education certificates, course certificate and Parish Nurse pin. Fee includes your first year's membership in Alabama Baptist Nursing Fellowship. Fee may be divided into two payments of \$275 due before the start of each scheduled weekend.

Lodging is for a semi-private room for two nights. Private accommodations or extra nights are at your expense. Check here if you are requesting a private room \_\_\_\_\_. Check here if you require an extra night lodging \_\_\_\_\_. The rate for extra accommodations will be added to your conference fee.

Return the application form with the \$50 (**non-refundable**) conference fee or the total amount of \$275 per weekend to:

**Parish Nurse, Alabama WMU**  
**P. O. Box 11870**  
**Montgomery, AL 36111-0870**

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### COURSE DATES/SCHEDULE

The course has two weekend sessions and they begin on Friday and go through Sunday noon. The course location will be held at a retreat setting: Shocco Springs Conference Center, Talladega AL; February 13-15 and March 13-15, 2009.

#### **Attendance is required for the entire course.**

If the entire course cannot be attended, additional courses will be offered in the future. The basic schedule for this course on each weekend is as follows:

- **Friday Registration** 9:00 a.m.
- Welcome/Introduction 9:30 a.m.
- Course Content Throughout the Day
- Evening Prayer 8:00 p.m.
  
- **Saturday Breakfast** 7:30 a.m.
- Saturday, same schedule as Friday
  
- **Sunday Breakfast** 8:00 a.m.
- Course Content Through 12 Noon
  
- **Commissioning Service**, Second Weekend, Sunday 11:30 a.m.-12 p.m.  
(*Family and Friends Invited!*)

### LOCATION

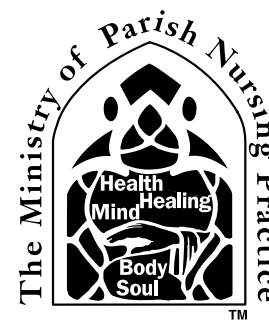
In keeping with the goals for parish nurse education, this course will be held in a retreat setting at Shocco Springs in Talladega, Alabama. Directions to Shocco Springs will be mailed upon receipt and approval of your application. Bring comfortable, warm, casual clothes.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

[www.alawoman.com](http://www.alawoman.com) or 1-800-264-1225

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Shocco Springs Conference  
Center, Talladega, Alabama

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**Continuing Education: 44 contact hours of nursing continuing education will be awarded at the completion of the course by NurCE, an ABN approved provider of continuing education for RNs and LPNs (provider #ABNP0004, valid through Dec. 23, 2010).**

**BRING YOUR NURSES LICENSE WITH YOU!**