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### **Glenside School Prepares Students for Nursing Careers**

Glenside, PA, March 10, 2011 – In the heart of Glenside, Princeton Information Technology Center (PITC) is helping students improve their careers and their lives with an education in nursing. PITC's Practical Nurse program prepares students for a rewarding career in as little as one year. Students can attend full time day classes, or part time evening and weekend classes to reach their goals.

Graduates of PITC earn a diploma in practical nursing, and go on to take the NCLEX-PN exam to become Licensed Practical Nurses, or LPNs. LPNs assist Registered Nurses in hospitals, nursing homes, and other healthcare facilities, by distributing medication, checking blood pressure and vital signs, administering vaccinations, dressing wounds, bathing patients, and more. The LPN is often the main contact for patients to discuss their medical history, diagnoses, and medications.

Students of PITC's sixth graduating class celebrated their achievement with a graduation ceremony on Monday, February 28. Instructors and former students offered words of encouragement, and each graduate spoke about his or her personal experience at the school. All agreed that it took a lot of hard work, but they were very proud to have completed the program and earned their diplomas. Some expressed their desires to go on to become Registered Nurses. Within a few months, these graduates will be taking the NCLEX-PN exam to become licensed by the state. PITC currently has a 100% NCLEX-PN passing rate.

"Everywhere I go, I am proud to be a nurse," said one instructor to the graduating class. A former student and current LPN warned the graduates, "Don't be the pill nurse, be the care-giver," stressing the importance of caring for the patients, not just going through the motions. Program Coordinator, Dr. Sharon Powell-Laney, who was recently presented with an award for her work with simulated clinical environments, advised the graduates to complete NCLEX-PN practice questions every day, to prepare themselves for the exam. One graduate stated that he was confident he would pass the exam on his first attempt.

LPNs are in high demand in nursing homes and hospitals in the area, so prospects for PITC graduates are very good. The school is currently accepting applications for two upcoming classes: the part time evening and weekend program, which begins April 18, and the full time day program, which begins September 6. More information is available at [www.pitc.edu](http://www.pitc.edu)

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