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REGISTERED NURSE (ASSOCIATE DEGREE)

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- Assess patients' conditions
- Record patients' medical histories and symptoms
- Observe patients and record the observations,
- Administer patients' medicines and treatments, etc.

Program Description

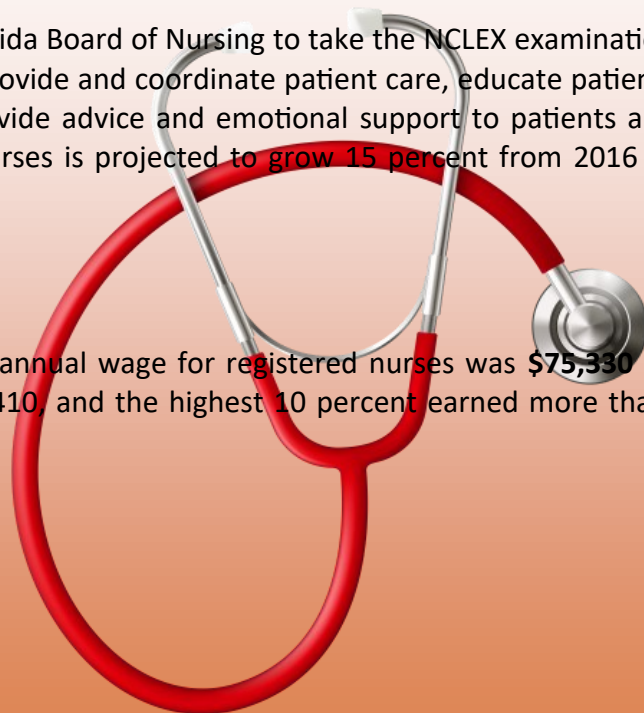
Registered Nurses (RNs) are considered by many to be the backbone of health care. The Associate of Science Degree in Nursing Program prepares graduates to practice within the Registered Nurse's scope. Students are trained to assess, plan and provide direct patient care and be contributing members of health care teams. The Associate of Science Degree in Nursing Program is up to 2 years in length and completed over three 16-week semesters per year.

Graduates of this program are eligible to apply to the Florida Board of Nursing to take the NCLEX examination to become Registered Nurses. Registered Nurses (RNs) provide and coordinate patient care, educate patients and the public about various health conditions, and provide advice and emotional support to patients and their family members. The employment of registered nurses is projected to grow 15 percent from 2016 to 2026, much faster than the average for all occupations.

Salary

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the median annual wage for registered nurses was **\$75,330** in May 2020. The lowest 10 percent earned less than \$53,410, and the highest 10 percent earned more than \$116,230. Some places RNs work:

Government \$84,490
 Hospitals; state, local, and private \$76,840
 Ambulatory healthcare services \$72,340
 Nursing and residential care facilities \$68,450
 Educational services; state, local, and private \$64,630



JOB OUTLOOK

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics occupational outlook handbook, employment of registered nurses is projected to grow 9 percent from 2020 to 2030. About 194,500 openings for registered nurses are projected each year, on average, over the decade.

There is high demand for healthcare services because of the large number of older people, who typically have more medical problems than younger people. Many of those openings are expected to result from the need to replace workers who transfer to different occupations or exit the labor force, such as to retire.

<https://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/registered-nurses.htm>

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