

**To:** Entering Associate Degree Nursing Students  
**From:** Patricia McAllen, PhD, RN Program Director  
**RE:** Clinical and Program Enrollment Requirements

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***Congratulations on your acceptance into the Mercy College of Northwest Ohio Associate Degree Nursing Program!***

To assure compliance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and Ohio Department of Health (ODH) regulations the following health and immunity standards must be met before your clinical experience/patient contact. Please return the following information prior to July 1, 2011 to Mercy College of Northwest Ohio, Youngstown, 1044 Belmont Avenue, Youngstown, OH 44501.

- Proof of personal health insurance (highly recommended).
- Proof of a current physical examination and required immunizations (forms can be found online at <http://youngstown.mercycollege.edu/future-students/nursing/orientation-information/>).
- Proof of current American Heart (provider C) Certification. Red Cross Certification will not be accepted.
- Background check/fingerprinting results. Please complete immediately. For more information. Contact Darnell Irvine at [darnell.irvine@mercycollege.edu](mailto:darnell.irvine@mercycollege.edu) or 330-480-3823.**

Nursing students are also required to:

- Purchase white leather shoes (white athletic shoes may be worn if they are entirely leather and have no color adornment). **Clogs are not permitted.**
- Purchase a stethoscope, hemostat, bandage scissors, and a watch with a sweep second hand.
- Remove artificial/acrylic nails. Because research has linked the spread of infection to artificial nails, they are no longer allowed in the clinical practice area.
- Purchase Mercy College Nursing uniforms. Samples of uniforms from Meridy's Uniforms will be available on campus during Orientation to size you for your uniform. You are required to purchase one tunic, one pair of pants, and one lab coat. Approximate cost of the tunic is \$37.95, the women's pant is \$20.00, the men's pant is \$29.00, and the approximate cost of the lab coat is \$33.00.