

# NURSING

### WHAT IS NURSING?

Nursing is the protection, promotion, and optimization of health and abilities, prevention of illness and injury facilitation of healing, alleviation of suffering through the diagnosis and treatment of human response, and advocacy in the care of individuals, families, groups, communities, and populations.

### RELATED CAREER TITLES

Acute Care	Director of Nursing	Traveling Nurse	Physical Therapist
Adolescent Nurse Specialist	Disabilities	Neurological	Physiological Nursing
Adult Health Care	Emergency Surgical Nurse	Nurse Anesthetist*	Primary Ambulatory Care
Ambulatory Care	Family Nursing	Nurse Clinician	Private Duty Nurse
Ambulatory Child Health	Gerontology	Nurse Consultant	Public Health
Art Therapist	Head Nurse	Nurse Educator	Pulmonary
Cardiovascular	Health Coach	Nurse Informatics	Recreational Therapist
Community/Mental	Hospital Administrator	Nurse Practitioner*	Registered Nurse
Correctional Health	Industrial Therapist	Nurse Researcher	Rehabilitation
Corrective Therapist	Manual Arts Therapist	Nurse Supervisor	School Health Nurse
Critical Care	Maternity Nursing	Nursing Health Policy	Spinal Cord Injury Nurse Practitioner
Delivery of Services	Medical-Surgical	Occupational Health	Staff Development
Developmental Services	Mental Health Ethnic Specialist	Office Nurse	Transcultural Nursing
Diabetes Nursing*	Midwife*	Oncology	Trauma Nurse
Neonatal Nurse	Music Therapist	Pediatric	

\*Career requires additional education

### TRANSFERABLE SKILLS

Ability to react spontaneously and maintain emotional and physical composure in stressful situations	Explaining health care and treatments to patients	Planning and arranging health care treatments
Ability to solve problems	Focus and accuracy	Treating physical or mental problems
Collecting and recording medical information	Giving injections, drugs, and other medications	Understanding of normal human behavior, growth, and development
Creating and using computerized medical records	Observing and analyzing physical problems	Working as a member of a health services team

Attainment and demonstration of [NACE Career Readiness Competencies](#) help prepare for a successful transition into the workplace.

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### RELATED CAREER EXPLORATION LINKS

American Nurses Association: [nursingworld.org](https://nursingworld.org)

National League for Nursing: [nlcn.org](https://nlcn.org)

Department of Nursing: [fhsu.edu/nursing](https://fhsu.edu/nursing)

FHSU Career Development Office: [fhsu.edu/career/](https://fhsu.edu/career/)

Occupational Outlook Handbook: [bls.gov/ooh](https://bls.gov/ooh)



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