Nursing Career Pathways Your goals, interests, work values, previous education and experience, are factors to consider when charting your career pathway. Advisors at Virginia Western provide career guidance to help you determine the most ideal starting point and identify a career path that fits your needs. This graphic depicts one sample nursing career pathway. Consult with an advisor for more information. **Associate of Applied Science** Certificate **Practical Nursing** Nursing (RN)* (PN) PROGRAM: 2-year degree (AAS)** PROGRAM: 1.5-year certificate PREREQUISITES: EST. TUITION: **\$8.160*** CREDITS: **48 hours** Eng 111, Psy 230, SDV 101 **Fast Track** Algebra I, Biology A number of Healthcare Profession **FastForward Programs KAPLAN** entrance test is required Certificates can be obtained in 8 16 **Minimum GPA requirements exist** weeks. (See samples above) Minimum GPA requirements exist MEDIAN WAGE: **\$21.89/hr**

Career Studies Certificates: Introduction to Nursing or Practical Nursing

CAREER SETTINGS:

 Hospital • Outpatient Care Center • Medical Research Center Medical & Diagnostic Laboratories
Doctor's Office
Insurance Carrier

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

FastForward, G3, FANTIC, Kiwanis, Tobacco Commission, **VWCC Educational Foundation**

CAREER SETTINGS:

Hospital • Clinic • School • Home Care • Doctor's Office • Long-term Care Facility

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES:

G3, Federal and State Aid More information on available assistance can be found at virginiawestern.edu/pay



*Rates as of 2022. Estimated cost reflects in-state rate and is subject to change.

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* Program acceptance consideration is given to those with any of the following: CNA, CCMA, EMT, paramedic, corpsman, certified phlebotomist, or 12 months of healthcare experience. LPN can complete in one vear under advanced placement option.

EST. TUITION: **\$11,050*** CREDITS: **65 hours** Algebra I, Biology, Chemistry, Bio 141, Information Session attendance and **KAPLAN** entrance test are required MEDIAN WAGE: \$31.83/hr