

# CHAMBERLAIN UNIVERSITY

## COLLEGE of NURSING

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Dear Dr. Dufrene:

We know that as Louisiana continues to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic, you're calling on all your nurses to step forward—even if they haven't recently been providing direct patient care. That's why Chamberlain University, in partnership with Ascend Learning, is offering a complimentary course for licensed registered nurses.

*Acute Care Readiness* is a review of the knowledge and skills nurses need to return to safe clinical practice in acute care settings and is offered as a full, self-paced course\* or as a self-selected review of learning modules. That way, nurses can design the learning experience that fits their individual needs and schedule.

*Acute Care Readiness* is available to all registered nurses. Please share it with your staff, colleagues or other associates so that, together, we can increase confidence and promote patient safety across our healthcare systems.



### About Acute Care Readiness

This course is designed to prepare licensed registered nurses working in either non-clinical, ambulatory or post-acute settings to return to clinical practice in acute care settings safely. Topics in this course will include a brief overview of pharmacology, medication administration, dosage calculation, clinical skills, and infection prevention focusing on safe provision of care for the adult population in acute care. For course detail and enrollment information, see the attached flyer.



This non-academic credit bearing course features high-quality multimedia learning content in the form of tutorials and demonstrations. Each module contains didactic content from Chamberlain University coupled with ATI's computer-based simulations focused on improving clinical reasoning skills.

- **Who Should Take This Course:** Licensed RNs not presently working in acute care settings, such as Ambulatory Care Nurses, Long-Term Care Nurses, Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRNs)
- **Time to Completion:** Individual modules vary in length; full-course time: 30 hours
- **Delivery Mode:** Self-paced modules with faculty support and one on-demand webinar
- **Start Date:** Every Monday starting April 13, 2020
- **Cost:** Complimentary for all nurses
- **Learning Outcomes:**
  - Illustrate the understanding of key clinical skills and procedures to provide holistic care for the adult population in the acute care setting.
  - Employ evidenced-based procedures for safe medication administration, dosage calculation and intravenous therapy for the adult population in the acute care setting.
  - Distinguish the appropriate infection control procedures and protocols to be utilized for the early identification, containment, and care of patients with symptoms associated with infectious disease in acute care settings.

We understand the enormous amount of pressure on the nursing profession during this rapidly evolving public health situation. If you have questions about this course or there is anything that Chamberlain can do to support you, please do not hesitate to contact me at [jcouvillon@chamberlain.edu](mailto:jcouvillon@chamberlain.edu) or (504-312-2708).

Warm regards,



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Attachment 1: Acute Care Readiness Flyer

*\*For nurses who choose to complete the full course, CEs may be available at no additional charge. Chamberlain University is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.*

# Attachment 1 ACUTE CARE READINESS



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## Safely Return to Acute Care

We know that many nurses have been asked to take on new roles in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. That's why Chamberlain University, in partnership with Ascend Learning, is offering licensed registered nurses a complimentary review course to prepare nurses for new care responsibilities.

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**ENROLL AT:**  
[Chamberlain.edu/AcuteCareReadiness](https://Chamberlain.edu/AcuteCareReadiness)

## ACUTE CARE READINESS AT-A-GLANCE

### COMPLIMENTARY COURSE

#### FOR RNs

Not working in acute care settings including:

Ambulatory Care  
Long-Term Care  
Advanced Practice  
Registered Nurses  
(APRNs)

**30**

Hours to Complete

### MODULAR LEARNING

Take as many or  
few as you need

#### CNEs

Available for  
Course Completion

# ACUTE CARE READINESS COURSE DETAIL

<b>SECTION 1</b>	<b>PREPARE</b>	<b>EXPLORE &amp; APPLY</b>	<b>WRAP UP</b>
	Introduction	<b>Pharm Made Easy</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introduction to Pharmacology</li></ul> <b>Clinical Skills</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Infection Control</li><li>• Physical Assessment: Adult</li><li>• Surgical Asepsis</li></ul> <b>Dosage Calculation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Medication Administration</li><li>• Oral Medication</li></ul>	ATI Results Knowledge Check Time on Task Survey
<b>SECTION 2</b>	<b>PREPARE</b>	<b>EXPLORE &amp; APPLY</b>	<b>WRAP UP</b>
	Introduction	<b>Infectious Pathogens</b> <b>Clinical Skills</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Medication Administration 2</li><li>• Medication Administration 3 (Injections)</li></ul> <b>Airway Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Oxygen Therapy</li></ul> <b>Dosage Calculation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Intravenous Therapy</li><li>• Safe Dosage</li></ul>	ATI Results Knowledge Check Time on Task Survey
<b>SECTION 3</b>	<b>PREPARE</b>	<b>EXPLORE &amp; APPLY</b>	<b>WRAP UP</b>
	Introduction	<b>Route of Transmission/Isolation Precautions</b> <b>Clinical Skills</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Blood Administration</li><li>• Central Venous Access Devices</li><li>• Closed-Chest Drainage</li><li>• Intravenous Therapy</li><li>• Medication Administration 4 (Intravenous Administration)</li></ul> <b>Dosage Calculation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Critical Care Medications</li></ul>	ATI Results Knowledge Check Time on Task Survey
<b>SECTION 4</b>	<b>PREPARE</b>	<b>EXPLORE &amp; APPLY</b>	<b>WRAP UP</b>
	Introduction	<b>COVID-19 Webinar</b> <b>Clinical Skills</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Diabetes Management</li><li>• Enteral Tube Feedings</li><li>• Nasogastric Intubation</li><li>• Urinary Catheter Care</li></ul> <b>Dosage Calculation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Injectable Medication</li><li>• Powdered Medications</li></ul>	ATI Results Knowledge Check Time on Task Survey
<b>SECTION 5</b>	<b>PREPARE</b>	<b>EXPLORE &amp; APPLY</b>	<b>WRAP UP</b>
	Introduction	<b>Clinical Skills</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Wound Care</li><li>• Specimen Collection</li><li>• Pain Management</li></ul> <b>Dosage Calculation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Dosages by Weight</li></ul>	ATI Results Knowledge Check Time on Task Survey

## How to Enroll

1. [Click here](#) to open the enrollment page. **Please use Google Chrome or Mozilla Firefox. Internet Explorer is not a supported browser.**
2. Select the **Enroll** button.



3. Enter your full name and email address, which will be your login. Check the box and select the **Enroll in Course** button.

4. Check your email account to complete the registration process.
5. Select the **Complete Registration** button in your confirmation email.
6. Create a password, select your time zone, and select the **Register** button.

7. Select the **Begin Course** button on the course start date.