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St. Luke's College and Northwest Iowa Community College Partner for Advanced Nursing Programs

St. Luke's College – UnityPoint Health and Northwest Iowa Community College (NCC) announce an articulation program to begin immediately.

NCC students interested in transitioning to St. Luke's College Registered Nurse (RN) and Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) programs will receive guidance on courses that are transferrable for the advanced degree. This agreement will allow graduates of NCC's Associate Degree Nursing program to transfer up to 78 credits of coursework to St. Luke's College.

Alethea Stubbe, President, Northwest Iowa Community College, said, "We are delighted to form this partnership with St. Luke's College. At NCC our passion is to help prepare students to be successful in their careers – no matter where their educational journey takes them. Providing this additional opportunity for seamless transfer of our courses enhances access and successful completion of baccalaureate level nursing education. Students will be able to realize their hopes and dreams more easily through this beneficial agreement."

The agreement will provide clear course to course equivalencies between NCC and St. Luke's College.

"St. Luke's College is proud to partner with NCC to ensure that course credits transfer and meet curricular requirements with ease," said Mike Stiles, Chancellor at St. Luke's College. "The need for quality, highly educated nurses continues to grow. We are excited to help offer another solution for nurses to advance their degree without needing to leave the community."

For additional information about the articulation agreement between St. Luke's College and NCC, please contact the Department of Admission at St. Luke's College at (712) 279-3149, or Northwest Iowa Community College at (800) 352-4907, visit stlukescollege.edu or nwicc.edu.

About St. Luke's College – UnityPoint Health

St. Luke's College – UnityPoint Health has a rich history of educating health care professionals through bachelor's degree completion programs in nursing (RN-BSN) and health sciences; associate degree programs in nursing, radiologic technology and respiratory care; certificate programs in medical laboratory science, phlebotomy and clinical pastoral education; and advanced specialty programs in CT, MRI, sonography, and mammography. St. Luke's College is located at 2800 Pierce Street on the campus of UnityPoint Health – St. Luke's. The facility houses state-of-the-art classrooms, practice labs, computer labs and library. For more information on St. Luke's College, call (712) 279-3149 or visit their website www.stlukescollege.edu.

About Northwest Iowa Community College

Northwest Iowa Community College, Sheldon, Iowa offers a high-quality, affordable educational experience. NCC features small class sizes for personal instruction, skilled faculty and today's most current technology. Choose from over 40 programs, including Arts & Science transfer, healthcare, business, manufacturing, automotive, electrical and more. We offer programs that are not found anywhere else in Iowa: Rad Tech –Hybrid, Powerline, Industrial Instrumentation & Control, and Heavy Equipment Operation & Maintenance.

To receive your free copy of the NCC Viewbook or schedule a campus visit, contact the Admissions office at studentservices@nwicc.edu, call 712-324-5061, 800-352-4907. Or visit our website at nwicc.edu. At NCC – Your Success is Our Story.

Photo: Front, L-R: Ruth Hobson, NCC Director, Nursing Education; Michael Stiles, Chancellor, St. Luke's College; Dr. Alethea Stubbe, NCC President; Susan Bowers, Dean, Division of Nursing Education, St. Luke's College

Back, L-R: Gretchen Bartelson, NCC Dean for Teaching and Learning; Mark Brown, NCC Vice President, College Operations and Finance; Dr. Rhonda Pennings, NCC Dean, Arts and Sciences/Business and Health; Dawn Recher, NCC Nursing Instructor; Nancy Popkes, NCC Nursing Instructor; Laura Nachtigal, NCC Administrative Assistant, Student and Academic Services; Lorall Karpuk, Department of RN-BSN Education, St. Luke's College; Dr. John Hartog, NCC Vice President, Student and Academic Services