



Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN)

Required Steps to Obtain Your Credential	<p>1. Upon successful completion all requirements for WDTC’s Licensed Practical Nursing Program, the graduate is eligible to sit for the National Council Licensure Exam for Practical Nursing (NCLEX-PN)</p>
	<p>2. Complete the application process through the SD State Board of Nursing to sit for the NCLEX-PN exam for initial licensure</p> <p><i>NOTE: The WDTC Director of Nursing will be required to provide verification of completed education to the SD Board of Nursing. Once the SD Board of Nursing declares you are eligible for licensure, you will receive an Authorization to Test (ATT) letter.</i></p>
	<p>3. Complete criminal background check</p>
	<p>4. Register and pay for the NCLEX-PN exam with Pearson VUE</p> <p><i>NOTE: Test registration should be done at the same time you apply to the SD Board of Nursing. Pearson VUE will notify the SD Board of Nursing office of your registration and you will receive a Receipt of Registration.</i></p>
	<p>5. Once you receive the Acknowledgement of Receipt of Registration and Authorization to Test (ATT) from Pearson VUE, you will follow the directions given on the ATT to schedule your testing day with Pearson VUE</p> <p><i>NOTE: You must test within the validity dates of your Authorization to Test (ATT)</i></p> <p><i>NOTE: If you plan to work outside of South Dakota, you will be required to apply for registration and/or licensure within that state. Each state may have different requirements for this process.</i></p>