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NURSING PROFESSIONS

The **Platinum Educational Group** newsletter is dedicated to Nursing instructors, administrators, and providers. If you have any questions please reach out to us anytime either by email or call **616.818.7877**.

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Watch Your Program Grow!

Spring is the perfect time of year to prepare your garden up so it has the best chance of success and growth. The benefits of even a small garden are huge. It can be a great hobby, relaxing, some exercise, can be enjoyed by all ages, and be rewarding. Platinum Educational Group has similar traits to a garden. Once you are set up with our platform, you and your program will gain benefits. You have the ability to have everything tracked online and do away with paper and spreadsheets! You can upload documents for your students to review. One of the popular features is that your students can use our app to log their clinicals and more!

Platinum Educational Group has outstanding odds via a 100% guarantee for passing the NCLEX-PN and NCLEX-RN on the first attempt! Come see why so many people trust us in their programs!

Our team can get your cohort up and running with our platform quickly and easily even if it has already started!! **We have more than 75+ years of combined education, testing, skills tracking, clinical scheduling, and compliance reporting expertise.**

To all you Nursing educators out there—thank you from all of us at Platinum.

Who is Platinum Educational Group, exactly?

As Platinum Educational Group continues to broaden the versatility of its solutions for healthcare professions, as well as increase our audience, we would like to remind people of who we are and what we do!

We are staunch advocates for the highest degree of training for all Nursing levels. **We are proud to boast the best testing prep and skills-tracking programs for each.**

*Factoid—Since 2015, We have delivered 500+ new features and updates for our customers, many at their request!

Our Mission: Deliver valid & reliable testing, scheduling, competency tracking, & compliance reporting solutions.
Our Vision: Every learner in the world can benefit from our solutions.

Price Increase Notification for 2023- Reminder

Effective August 1, 2023

Platinum Educational Group has not had a price increase since 2018, however, our pricing schedule will increase **slightly** in 2023. These increases will not affect training institutional fees, but student fees will see a **nominal** change. We do our best to not do price increases to our valued customers, but at times it is unavoidable.

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Platinum Educational Group is Helping Nursing Programs Raise Their Pass Rates

Affordable Online Testing Platform

The staff at Platinum Educational Group understands the obstacles of budgets when it comes to programs looking for affordable online solutions to assist your students. It is especially difficult raising and keeping pass rates up due to

limited reasonably priced resources, questionable content validity, and higher cost of study tools that your program experiences. In 2016, Platinum created their online exam simulation platform, called PlatinumTests.com, for Nursing training institutions.

Some of the unique qualities that distinguishes PlatinumTests.com from other NCLEX study prep companies include:

• True Computer Adaptive Testing that mimics the NCLEX exam testing format.
• Test simulator that can accurately predict your students' NCLEX exam readiness.
• Detailed reporting that shows topic and module strengths and weaknesses.
• Unlimited testing! No cap limits on how many tests a student can take.
• Affordable. Only a one-time fee of $45 for LPN/LVN students and $90 for RN students.

Access to over 3,000 PN and 4,000 RN objective-based questions written and reviewed by industry experts in Nursing.

Stop spending hours creating your own tests or paying a king's ransom for a quality solution! We have an affordable online testing solution that will amaze you! We would be honored to show you our online testing solution. Simply click the link below, select your State, and **then find a time that works for you!** We look forward to meeting you!

Click for Easy Demo Scheduling

"Platinum Planner IT is great with helping to fix our issues and work out any kinks we have! Couldn't ask for a better service for our students!" Nancy Huff, Instructor at El Paso Community College (TX)

Finally, Nursing Competency and Externship Tracking Made EASY and AFFORDABLE!

We have heard for years about the challenges of keeping track of students' competencies and externship efficiently. That's why we have developed a competency tracking program, entitled Platinum Planner, that will take care of it all for you--**easily and with no institutional cost!** This flexible program tracks clinicals, externship, schedules, and any other competencies. It is customizable to **YOUR** specific Nursing program using **YOUR** terminology. It assists in clinicals, labs, and classroom experiences. It also generates reports for student progress and accreditation standards—**all in an easy-to-use electronic format! Platinum Planner comes with a FREE fully functional mobile app for students and clinical instructors!**

Do not waste time tracking your students with paper and pencil or with expensive online platforms! We have an easier and more cost-effective solution!

Top 10 Reasons to Use PlatinumPlanner.com

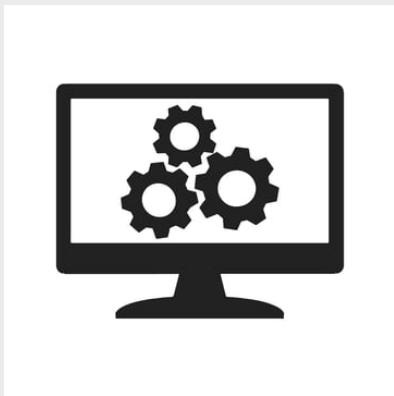# HR Technology: Artificial Intelligence vs. Automation vs. the Human Component

By Levi Perkins, Corporate Screening

As in other business areas, technology improves the efficiency of key HR processes and programs. Relatively new technology such as artificial intelligence (AI) can improve candidate communication through chatbots that answer questions, schedule interviews, and ask qualifying screening questions. Another technology, automation, which can be found virtually everywhere, can transform just about any manual process.

Among other capabilities, automation eliminates the use of paper forms—in hiring, onboarding, benefits enrollment, and more—and facilitates e-signatures of online documents. Automation, AI, and other HR technology save time for HR teams, allowing them to focus on the work that only people can do, such as making face-to-face connections, leading others, or assessing candidate communication skills.

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Configure Grid Options

Sarah Smith, Product Manager, Platinum Educational Group

When looking at pages in Platinum Planner, you will frequently see a little gear button near the search fields. This button is a very handy, often overlooked tool, **Configure Grid Options.** When you click on it, you will see a dropdown that contains two options, **Add/Remove Columns** and **Reset Grid To Defaults.**

When selecting the former, the **Column Chooser** will appear, and this window will allow you to modify the columns that are displayed in your grid. It will contain additional fields that can be dragged and dropped into your table. The selections that you see will vary depending on the page that you're looking at. For example, if you are viewing your **Manage Students** page, you would have a field for **Time Zone ID** so if your students are reporting that times seem off in their accounts you can check to see if anyone has made an improper selection.

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Episode 53: Know The Rules! Workstation Use

By Kim Shutters Software Quality Validation Engineer

In this week's "Know The Rules!," I am diving into the second standard of Physical Safeguards of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Physical security is an important component of the HIPAA Security Rule that is often overlooked. What constitutes appropriate physical security controls will depend on each organization and its risk analysis and risk management process.

A workstation is defined in the Rule as:

"An electronic computing device, for example, a laptop or desktop computer, or any other device (including mobile) that

performs similar functions, and electronic media stored in its immediate environment."

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From the Customer Support Team

Q: What is secure testing? How should I implement/troubleshoot secure testing?

A: There are a lot of options for our test settings in EMSTesting. One of which is the ability to enable secure testing. It is important to know what is involved and its limitations before enabling this for your students.

When secure testing is enabled it has the students install a secure testing browser. When installed, when a student clicks begin test, it then opens the test in secure testing browser. When secure testing is open it does not let the students navigate to other sites or applications. This is a great way to lessen cheating or look up answers.

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"We are certainly enjoying using PlatinumTests.com as our NCLEX prep for our students. The team at Platinum has made the transition to their platform very easy. Their customer service and attentive follow up is most appreciated! Thank you for making the conversion as smooth as possible!" Tracey Neville, Director of Nursing Education, Avant Healthcare Professionals (FL)

Staff Update: Tom Maliszewski

Tom Maliszewski joined Platinum Educational Group as the newly appointed educator in March 2023. Tom has spent the last 28 years in emergency medical and fire services, 23 of them as a paramedic. He obtained his Instructor/Coordinator license at Baker College of Cadillac, MI. Tom has held the position of supervisor for both Mecosta County EMS and Life EMS. He also taught the EMT-Basic program while at Baker College of Cadillac. Lastly, in the past, he was a certified firefighter and worked to protect life and property on three different departments within his county. In his spare time, Tom enjoys spending time with his wife of 22 years, their two dogs, and their extended family.

News From Our Allies in Education

Every month we feature a key news snippet or other information from our allies in Nursing Education. Contact us if you want to connect and see how we can collaborate**!**

Making dreams a reality. Helping students pass the NCLEX since 1971.
Our mission is to help repeat test-takers and foreign-trained Nurses pass the NCLEX®-RN/LPN exam. Our comprehensive content review course is designed to decrease test anxiety, instill self-confidence, and consistently deliver great results.

Customer Showcase: Mohave Community College (AZ)

Every month we give a little bit of love to one of our valued customers! This month we celebrate the awesome Nursing **Staff at Mohave Community College (AZ).**

Mohave Community College (MCC) was established as a county college by a vote of the people in October 1970. Recognizing the vastness of the service area, the first Board of Governors made a commitment to establishing three main campus sites. In June 1971, J. Leonard and Grace Neal donated 160 acres of land where the college's first facilities were developed.

In 1981, MCC received full accreditation from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA). In 1982, the college received full accreditation of its associate degree in Nursing. In the same year, the Board of Governors approved the development of a telecommunications system to link the three main campuses together electronically.

When it opened in 1971 the college offered just 27 courses. Today MCC offers more than 60 degree and certificate options for students, and the tuition rate has held steady at $81 per credit hour making it an extremely affordable higher education option for the people of Mohave County and the tri-state region.

Nursing Program: The ultimate goal of the Nursing Department is to prepare graduates for safe and effective clinical practice. The Nursing programs are offered countywide with classes in the southern part of Mohave County in Kingman, Lake Havasu City and Bullhead City, and the northern part of the County in Colorado City. Students successfully completing the program will be eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX- RN). Students at Mohave Community College had over 75% NCLEX-RN First Time Pass Rate in 2021-2022.

We want to thank them for their trust in our solutions and their trust in our customer service, and for their trust in our reputation to provide the highest quality of both!

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