



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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Going back to school?

Students going back to school this year will be different due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. Some schools will reopen, some will remain closed. Some students may return to the classroom. Others may use virtual online learning methods or a combination of online and in-person courses. Regardless of what you will be doing, we have resources to help! We can help you stay organized and support nursing educators keep track of their competency tracking, student

scheduling, as well as online testing needs.

To all you educators out there—thank you from all of us at Platinum. Please be safe and stay healthy.

The Staff at Platinum Educational Group



Who is Platinum Educational Group, exactly?

As Platinum Educational Group continues to broaden the versatility of their 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 EMS levels. **And we are proud to boast the best testing prep and skills tracking programs for each.**

"Just giving a "great job" review to Platinum Ed. They go out of their way to get the answers you need and do the work to be flexible with our needs. Our nurses preparing for the NCLEX are getting great outcomes on the exam due to this great program!" – Susan Mateo, Avant Healthcare Professional, FL

***Factoid—We have delivered 400+ new features and updates for our customers, many at their request, since 2015!**

Our Mission: Deliver valid & reliable testing, scheduling, competency tracking, & compliance reporting solutions.

Our Vision: Every learner in the world can benefit from our solutions.



Customer Testimonials

Almost every day we see new customer testimonials come through our social media pages. (See our [Facebook](#)) We want to let you all know that we appreciate your kind words and are completely humbled and honored to get these reviews! As we receive new reviews from our customers, we will do our best to display them on our customer testimonials page on our [website](#) too. If you are a current customer of Platinum and would like to submit a review for our products, please click [here!](#) We appreciate your feedback, testimonials, and your dedication to education!



2021 Platinum Educational Group Nursing Scholarship Winner

Another BIG congratulations goes out to the 2021 Platinum Educational Group \$1000 Nursing Scholarship Award Winner, Destiny Roberts! Destiny is enrolled at the Beaumont Health Nursing Program, MI.

If you missed this year's scholarship opportunity, don't worry! These are annual awards, and you may be eligible for 2022. If you would like to be put on our 2022 notification list then simply fill out the short form below!

[2022 Platinum Scholarship Program Notification List](#)



ATTENTION: Student Association & Nursing Conference Coordinators! Try Us for Your Next Virtual NCLEX® Competition!

Are you looking for a fun competition for your NCLEX® event! Nursing students have a BLAST learning via Platinum Educational Group's ["Group Testing"](#) feature! This online quizzing platform is set up like the trivia-based quizzing that is popular in

bars and restaurants across the country. **We even provide prizes for the top 3 participants!** If you would like to see a short demonstration of how Group Testing from Platinum Educational Group can benefit your annual conference, CONTACT US and we are more than happy to show you!



Platinum Educational Group is Helping Practical 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 Practical Nursing training institutions.

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

- True Computer Adaptive Testing that mimics the NCLEX-PN® 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.
- Access to over 3,000 PN 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!

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“I found the online testing to be very convenient. I believe, in addition to the student's program instruction, PlatinumTests.com would be helpful in preparing new graduates for the NCLEX. PlatinumTests.com is excellent for students who recognize they are not fully prepared for the NCLEX exam.” --Teri Wenzig, Nursing Faculty, Chemeketa Community College (OR)



Finally, Practical 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

“We are a Practical Nursing program year using Platinum Planner for our clinical scheduling and documentation. As the program coordinator responsible for all clinical scheduling, this platform has made my job so much easier! The scheduled emails to let each site know which student is attending that week is fantastic. The student notification of their assignments is also great! My students always know exactly where they are to be each week, what time to report, and can even see the map showing the location.

I have been very happy with the support from Platinum Planner and appreciate how responsive they are to any questions or needs I have. They have outstanding training to help set everything up. Very pleased!” -- Pam Thurman, Franklin Tech Center LPN Program Director (former)

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Calling All Authors

Submit an Article!

Do you have a knack for writing good articles? Do you have an awesome article you have written in the past that you would like to showcase? Do you have a blog?

If you said yes to any of these, then we want you!

We are currently looking for quality nursing content to be featured in our monthly newsletter and social media platforms! Maybe you want to submit just one article, a few, or be a consistent contributor—all of these are great! Contributors will receive a “thank you” package from us (Gift Card, Platinum Swag) as well as some great exposure to your content and expertise!

If you would like to submit an article for consideration, [Click Here!](#)



Knowing the difference between live skill and clinical skill documentation

By Elizabeth Cagle, Customer Service Advocate, Platinum Educational Group

There are two individual skills classifications within the clinical class, live skills, and clinical skills, each documented separately from the other. So, what exactly is the difference between them and how are they meant to be documented? This is a question asked more frequently.

Live skills are performed on real patients in isolation, meaning they are not done with an assessment or a series of other skills. When students do not.

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Differences Between Proprietary and Off-the-Shelf Screening Technology

By Levi Perkins, Corporate Screening



When you're considering which background screening provider is right for your organization, the technology the provider uses matters more to your screening and hiring process than you might think.

If your provider uses background check technology built off of a template designed for several other companies, it may feel like your organization's needs are being forced to fit into a cookie-cutter solution created for someone else. Conversely, when you work with a screening provider with proprietary background check technology, you're getting responsive functionality and customization with your needs in mind—and this is just one of the many benefits.

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KNOW THE RULES!



Episode 33: Know The Rules! Case Study: Business Associate Breach

By Kimberley Shutters

Today, I am presenting a case study on the chain of events after a Business Associate breach of electronic protected health information (ePHI).

Business Associates (BAs) YOU may be directly liable for violations of the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Security Rule and Breach Notification Rule as well as certain provisions of the Privacy Rule after experiencing such a breach. Liability may attach to BAs, even in situations in which the BA has not entered into the required Business Associate Agreement with the Covered Entity (CE).

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From the Customer Support Team

How to get a refund or transfer?

Q: My student needs a refund or transfer to a different course, how do they go about that?

A: Transfer requests have come up a lot lately. These requests can be due to previous medical issues or having been approved into the wrong course. In these cases, the transfer policy will be followed to see if the student follows the requirements to approve a transfer.

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“The customer service team is amazing. They are always willing to assist us with any kind of training that the staff at our school needs.” – Tracey Powers, Clinical Coordinator at New England Institute, NH.

News From Our Allies in Education

Every month we feature a key news snippet or other information from our allies in Nursing Education. If you would like to connect and see how we can collaborate, [contact us!](#)

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An Amazing Website filled with Resources for YOUR Nursing Students

The mission for Kevin's Review is to review with integrity and detail in order to provide the most value to nursing students. It offers measurable analysis and detailed comparisons to many study tools, resources, and techniques.

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Staff Update: Ben Hurst

We are very pleased to announce that Ben Hurst has been promoted to Developer (Tier I)! He has worked hard for a long time to get to this point, and it is only the beginning for him and his career. Ben has now committed his first unassisted code update and has already closed a couple of issues!

He will still be handling most of his current testing and tier 2 support duties for the time being as he continues to learn our codebase and is able to take on more and more complex development tasks. Our plan is to hire a new QA/Tester to help take over those duties when he is more up-to-speed, but there is no set timeframe yet. The Dev Team is certainly excited to get the very much-needed extra capacity!

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