



NURSING PROFESSIONS

This newsletter is dedicated to Nursing instructors, administration, and providers. As always, **if you have any questions** concerning anything in this edition of the Platinum Pulse- Nursing Edition, feel free to reach out to us anytime by [contacting us](#) and a Platinum rep will reach out to you shortly.

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School's in Session. How Can We Help?

By now, many of you are back to the grind faced by educators every year! This year -- do not get us started about 2020! -- may be your most challenging yet. You may be faced with remote/virtual learning and the many hours a week spent on students is enormous, but we are here to help!

If you:

- **Create and administer your own tests**
- **Utilize paper tests**
- **Are NOT using computer adaptive testing**
- **Use Excel spreadsheets for competency tracking**
- **Use Paper and Pencil for competency tracking**
- **Have challenges with scheduling clinical rotations, labs, or externship**
- **Currently use a product you are not happy with (cost, customer service, etc...)**

THEN CONTACT US TODAY! It is NOT too late for you to utilize our electronic solutions even if your current course has started! We make it easy—ALL OF IT! The platform setup, the training, the industry leading customer support. Shoot, we have even made scheduling a demo to look at our solutions easy! **We look forward to making YOUR life easier!**



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 nursing levels. **We are proud to boast the best study prep and clinical tracking online platforms for each.**

"Great company with great products! They care about the customer!" - John Gosford, Education Manager

Factoid: Since 2015, we have delivered over 300 new features to our customers, many at their request!

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

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



Message from the CEO

Caring During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Canceling 2020 Price Increases

Platinum Educational Group occasionally has a slight price increase to our online solutions. We do the increases for a few important reasons. (See the link below for more details)

However, as a company that has a customer base solely of health professional training institutions, we truly know the struggles you are facing. During this extremely unique and challenging economic environment we find ourselves in, we have come to the decision collectively and unanimously, **to cancel any price increases for 2020.**

[More Details](#)



2020 Platinum Educational Group Nursing Scholarship Winner!

A BIG congratulations go out to the 2020 Platinum Educational Group \$1000 Nursing Scholarship Award Winner, Marie Wold! Ms. Wold is enrolled at Williston State Nursing program in Williston, ND. Please help us celebrate Marie's achievement by going to our [Facebook Page](#) and liking and sharing her post! This also creates awareness for future nursing students to apply!

[More Details](#)



Finally, Competency and Externship Tracking Made EASY and AFFORDABLE

We have heard for years about the challenges of keeping track of students' competencies and clinical rotations efficiently. That's why we have developed a clinical tracking and scheduling program, entitled Platinum Planner, that will take care of it all for you **easily and with no institutional cost!** This flexible program tracks schedules, skills, and patient encounters. 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 **no more stressful site visits!** 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](#)

"We are a Nursing program just finishing up our first 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!" - Pamela Thurman, BSN, RN, CPA, Practical Nursing Coordinator(former), Franklin Technology Center at MSSU

Easy Demo Scheduling!



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!](#)



What is the Right Answer?

By Doug Smith, Educator

Many times, students ask, "**What is the correct answer?**" Or state, if you could just give me the answers to the ones that I missed, I will learn the material. These requests follow a false premise that examinations are designed to teach the student. Examinations are designed to assess whether the candidate knows the information or not. If examinations were designed to teach, we would not need textbooks, we would only need 'textbooks' and we would want to make sure these provided all of the answers.

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What are Class Groups?

By Sarah Smith, Customer Service Representative

"Class Groups" is a tool to facilitate class enrollment during approval into a course with a complex class structure. When reviewing student course enrollment requests, Administrators will see a dropdown called "Select The Class Group(s) To Auto-Enroll This Student Into After Payment Has Been Processed". This dropdown allows Admins to determine which classes the student would need to be accepted into within that course.

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Is Your Immunization Tracking Program HIPAA Compliant?

By Corporate Screening

Students participating in clinical rotation or residency programs in hospitals and health systems must provide immunization histories to meet student screening requirements. As a college or university, you help students fulfill their requirements so they can have a positive experience and continue their medical training.

According to the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP), in 2020 alone, there were [over 37,000 residency positions](#) filled by medical students, with many more participating in rotation programs. When you're tracking numerous immunization records for large numbers of students moving into various clinical departments and hospital systems, an [immunization tracking system](#) can maintain important health and immunization information in a secure and HIPAA-compliant manner.

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NCLEX Prep Course

By Angelica Feuer RN, BSN, MSN

Passing the NCLEX can feel like an unsurmountable task. This is especially true during these uncertain times when we are all learning how to adjust and adapt to our new reality.

Most repeat test takers, foreign educated nurses, and non-tech savvy students prefer an in-person review course. They feel more comfortable, gain more understanding, remain more motivated and alert in a traditional classroom setting. During this pandemic, this method of learning is no longer possible.

The students' next best choice is to attend a live online prep course where they can ask questions to the instructor and share their experiences with students in the chat. Distance-learning requires students to get out of their comfort zone. It can also be a fun and effective learning method for NCLEX® test preparation in a safe learning environment.

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COVID-19: Different For Women

By J. Adderton, BSN, MSN

Is COVID-19's impact different for women and men?

As data becomes available, differences in the impact of COVID-19 in women and men are emerging. Becker's Hospital Review compiled key statistics about the pandemic's effect on women. Read on to learn more.

Becker's Hospital Review recently compiled key statistics from hospital and healthcare leaders about how the COVID-19 pandemic is affecting U.S. women. The results, published in [Becker's Hospital Review August 3, 2020 edition](#) looked at 6 ways the pandemic is changing the way women live. Let's take a closer look at the results.

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From the Customer Support Team

Scheduling Training Online

Q: Is there an option to get training on your websites?



A: Absolutely! If you are new with Platinum, or need a brush-up training before Fall courses begin, we have online webinar training for you! To get to the training sign up from the dashboard, click on the blue 'schedule training' on the upper right.

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"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)

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!](#)



Learn how Feuer Nursing Review is addressing COVID-19 and your NCLEX® Study Options

Click the link below for more information.

[More Information](#)



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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VerifyStudents Announces Drug Screening Enhancements

VerifyStudents by [Corporate Screening](#) is pleased to announce the completely redesigned [ImmuniTrax™ immunization compliance management system](#). Powered by Medicat, a leader in college health electronic health records, the new ImmuniTrax™ eliminates the need for an RDP connection with a cloud-based, secure and easy-to-use immunization tracking solution.

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Customer Showcase: Avant Healthcare Professionals

Every month we give a little bit of love to one of our valued customers! This month we celebrate **the awesome PN staff at Avant Healthcare Professionals.**

Avant Healthcare Professionals is the premier recruiting and staffing specialist for internationally educated healthcare professionals. Their comprehensive program guides qualified registered nurses, physical and occupational therapists through each stage of the licensure and immigration process and makes it simple!

Since 2003, Avant has pioneered new ways to effectively support and transition internationally educated registered nurses and therapists into their clients' healthcare facilities across the United States.

Director of Nursing Education- Tracey Neville

We want to thank the awesome Avant Healthcare nursing education staff and leadership for their trust in our solutions, our customer service, and our reputation to provide the highest quality of both!

Leaving You Laughing

