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## Registration Under Way for Nursing Program at Brethren Retirement Community in Greenville, OH

The Miami Valley Career Technology Center (MVCTC), in a partnership with the Brethren Retirement Community in Greenville, Ohio, is offering a Practical Nurse class set to begin in January 2013. The first step in the enrollment process is to submit an application with the \$65 application fee; the second step is the completion of an entrance assessment that can be taken at the MVCTC campus in Clayton, Ohio. To schedule an appointment to take an assessment, please call the MVCTC Adult Education Office at 937-854-6297.

The 41-week Practical Nursing program is divided into four separate but integrated guarters. After initial classroom training, students report to area healthcare facilities for clinical experiences on Monday and Tuesday, and continue in the classroom on Wednesday through Friday each week.

Licensed Practical Nurses provide bedside care under the direction of Registered Nurses. The program emphasizes hands on care and medication administration. After successful completion of the program, graduates may sit for the National Licensing Exam for Practical Nurses and receive their license to practice nursing (LPN). Graduates may also transition into registered nursing programs (RN).

According to student Stephanie Knight of Arcanum, the program "gives me the opportunity to fast track into an RN program." Jessica Sparks of Greenville stated, "The relationship with the Brethren Retirement Community has been wonderful". Heather Zornes of Tipp City added: "It's an exceptional program."

John Warner, President of Brethren Retirement Community commented: "We are pleased with the partnership with Miami Valley Career Technology Center and are looking forward to the next session. It's a great opportunity for area residents to further their education in the nursing field." While a number of students in the current class are Darke County residents, others travel from Miami County, Montgomery County, Preble County, and neighboring Indiana counties.

Students are encouraged to apply early as classes fill quickly. Financial aid is available to those who qualify. For pre-admission requirements, enrollment and tuition information and entrance assessment dates, contact the Miami Valley

Career Technology Center Adult Education Office at (800) 716-7161 or (937) 854-6297. Information is also available at ae.mvctc.com.

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