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RN-BSN Program Approved To Be Offered Online

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Concord, NC, October 26, 2010 – Cabarrus College of Health Sciences announced last week that its RN-BSN program is going online beginning in January. "Over the past two years, we have received numerous requests from applicants around the state to offer our program online. We are delighted that we now can provide this service to them," stated Dr. Meg Patchett, College Provost.

The Cabarrus College bachelor of science in nursing degree allows the practicing Registered Nurse more opportunity for employment, increased responsibility, and career progression. It opens doors for professional certifications in nursing specialties and provides a foundation for graduate level education. The curriculum provides the opportunity to explore nursing research, health policy, current issues in nursing practice, community health nursing, leadership and management, and many other aspects of professional nursing.

Molly Patton, MSN, RN, Program Chair for the RN-BSN program states, "Offering our nursing and general education courses online will allow students to experience the high quality baccalaureate education that Cabarrus College is recognized for, through the convenience of the internet. Students will have the benefit of easy access to instructors when needed. This provides the practicing RN the opportunity to complete a BSN in two years while balancing work, school, and family".

Classes for the spring semester begin on January 10. An application can be submitted now for spring enrollment, and is available online at <u>www.cabarruscollege.edu</u>. The RN-BSN curriculum and admissions requirements are available at <u>http://www.cabarruscollege.edu/programs/bs_nursing.html</u>.



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The online RN-BSN program at Cabarrus College is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).

Additional information about the RN-BSN program is available by contacting the Cabarrus College Office of Admissions at 704-403-1555.

About Cabarrus College of Health Sciences

Cabarrus College of Health Sciences is located on the campus of CMC-NorthEast in Concord, North Carolina. 514 students are enrolled in five associate degree and three baccalaureate completion programs. Associate degree programs include medical assistant, nursing, occupational therapy assistant, surgical technology and associate in science. Baccalaureate completion programs include health services leadership and management, medical imaging and nursing. The College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). For additional information go to www.cabarruscollege.edu.