



MONROE COUNTY  
COMMUNITY COLLEGE

enriching lives

**Main Campus**

1555 South Raisinville Road  
Monroe, MI 48161-9746

**Whitman Center**

7777 Lewis Avenue  
Temperance, MI 48182

[www.monroeccc.edu](http://www.monroeccc.edu)

**Press Release**

Contact:  
Joe Verkennes  
Director of Marketing  
(734) 384-4207

April 20, 2011

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**PRELIMINARY REPORT:**  
**CONTINUED ACCREDITATION WITH**  
**CONDITIONS RECOMMENDED FOR**  
**ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING PROGRAM**

MONROE, Mich. – An evaluation team representing the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission announced today in a preliminary oral report that it will recommend to NLNAC that the Monroe County Community College associate degree in nursing program be granted continued accreditation status with conditions for a period of two years.

The college expects the conditions attached to the recommendation for continued accreditation to include addressing deficiencies in three of six standards through the completion of a report and accompanying campus visit by the NLNAC in 2013. Those three standards include Faculty and Staff, Curriculum and Outcomes.

The NLNAC evaluation team will now produce a full written report that will include its recommendations regarding the associate degree in nursing program's accreditation status and next accreditation visit to the NLNAC Evaluation Review Panel. This panel will then make a recommendation to the NLNAC Board of Commissioners, which will take formal and final action on the recommendations by July 31, 2011.

(more)

NLNAC is responsible for the specialized accreditation of nursing education, including clinical doctorate, master's degree, baccalaureate degree, associate degree, diploma and practical nursing programs. It has authority and accountability for carrying out the responsibilities inherent in the application of standards and criteria, accreditation processes and the affairs, management, policy-making and general administration of NLNAC.

“Monroe County Community College values specialized nursing accreditation,” said MCCC President Dr. David E. Nixon. “Accredited status by the NLNAC is reserved for the highest quality nursing programs, and we appreciate the time spent by the evaluators who completed a thorough and fair assessment of our associate degree in nursing program. The college looks forward to implementing the team’s recommendations for improvement. The college and the community have reason to be proud of this program – which has a long history of positive outcomes – and its graduates.”

The visit was the culmination of a 231-page Self-Study Report on the two options for completing an associate degree in nursing program: traditional and online. The report was developed by the nursing department and submitted to the NLNAC evaluation team in advance of the visit. It is available on the college’s home page at [www.monroecc.edu](http://www.monroecc.edu).

###