

Legal Nurse Consultant Certificate

A legal nurse consultant (LNC) is a licensed registered nurse who possesses both medical and legal knowledge, which is used to evaluate, analyze and render informed opinions on the delivery of health care and resulting outcomes. This practice is performed in collaboration with attorneys and others involved in the legal process. An LNC is bound by the ethical rules of both medical and legal practice.

A wide variety of employment venues are open to the LNC in private law practice and in the healthcare industry. Many legal nurse consultants choose a traditional career path as either independent or full-time consultants to law firms. These LNCs perform a variety of tasks requiring knowledge of litigation procedures. Growth opportunities in healthcare also exist, as a combination of legal and medical training make LNCs invaluable in areas of risk management, investigation, research and development, peer review and healthcare management.

Students who possess an Associate in Science degree or a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from an accredited post-secondary institution, a current state license to practice nursing and have completed 2,500 hours of clinical work as a registered nurse are eligible to receive a Legal Nurse Consultant Certificate. The program is approved by the American Bar Association. Course work can be completed in as little as 40 weeks. All course work is consistent with the general principles of ethical and legal practice as defined by the ABA Standing Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility and with the legal restrictions on the practice of law by lay persons.

All course work is taught by experienced attorneys, paralegals and legal nurse consultants. Training is further enhanced by Manor's extensive law library and computer assisted legal research databases. The Legal Nurse Consultant program provides placement assistance to its graduates. The student must maintain a 2.0 (C) grade point average in each program course.

Suggested Course Sequence

Litigation Track

First Semester	Credits
CS 105 Introduction to Computers	3
LN 101 Introduction to Legal Nurse Consulting	3
LE 206 Administrative Law	3
Second Semester	
LE 103 Civil Practice and Procedure	3
LN 102 Legal/Medical Research	3
Third Semester	
LE 201 Tort Litigation	3
LN 104 Legal/Medical Writing	3
Total Credits	21

Healthcare Industry Track

First Semester	Credits
CS 105 Introduction to Computers	3
LN 101 Introduction to Legal Nurse Consulting	3
LE 206 Administrative Law	3
Second Semester	
LE 103 Civil Practice and Procedure	3
LN 102 Legal/Medical Research	3
Third Semester	
BA 218 Health Care Law	3
LN 104 Legal/Medical Writing	3
Total Credits	21