



## Registered Nursing Application Checklist LPN to RN Bridge Program Option

We are excited to assist you in applying for the CEI Registered Nursing programs! Follow the step by step guide to apply for the AAS LPN to RN Bridge program option.

This program admits new students once per year:

- **LPN to RN Bridge Program application deadline:**
  - 30 students admitted every spring for a summer start
  - Applications due March 1<sup>st</sup>
- Classes begin in the summer semester each year. Select the summer semester and year you would like to **START** the program when completing your application

**There are two pathway options for the LPN to RN bridge program:**

- **Pathway 1:** This pathway is for LPNs that have graduated from another institutional LPN program or graduated more than a year ago from CEI.
- **Pathway 2:** This pathway is only for CEI students that graduated in the fall or spring of the year previous to applying.

### **CEI Enrollment:**

You must be a CEI student and have all prerequisite courses completed and transferred by the following dates to apply for the CEI nursing programs:

- **February 1<sup>st</sup>:** Spring application period

It is recommended that you connect with your advisor after registering as a CEI student or if you are a current student and have questions regarding your progress.

Contact CEI Admissions at 208-524-3000 Ext. 4 for CEI enrollment assistance or program questions.

### **Complete Program Prerequisite Requirements:**

All prerequisite courses must be complete or in progress at CEI at the time of application. **In progress courses at outside institutions, will not be accepted and the application will be denied as incomplete.**

Applicants must receive a C+ or higher **and** maintain a prerequisite GPA of 3.0 or higher in the following courses for **the LPN to RN Bridge option:**

- English 101 – Writing & Rhetoric 1 (3 credits)
- ENGL 102 – Writing & Rhetoric 2 (3 credits)
- COMM 101 – Fundamentals of Oral Communication (3 credits)
- Math 153 **or** Math 143 – Statistical Reasoning or College Algebra (3 credits)  
**Statistical Reasoning strongly recommended**
- PSYCH 101 **or** SOC 101 - Introduction to Psychology or Introduction to Sociology (3 credits)
- BIO 227 & Lab - Human Anatomy and Physiology 1 and lab (4 credits)
- BIO 228 & Lab - Human Anatomy and Physiology 2 and lab (4 credits)
- MICRO 111 & Lab - Introduction to Microbiology 111 and lab (4 credits)
- English 175 – Literature & Ideas **or** equivalent humanities course (3 credits)



**General Petition Approval (Optional)**

If applicable, complete petition(s) prior to applying to the LPN to RN Bridge program. Upload a copy of your approved petition email in the grades/course section of the application.

**Complete & Acquire Application Documentation:**

The following documentation must be uploaded with your application. Failure to upload all required documentation will result in your application being incomplete and withdrawn.

**LPN license verification: (Pathway 1 and Pathway 2 if applicable)**

Upload copy of current/unencumbered LPN license in supplemental section of application. PN license verification can be obtained from NURSYS website.

**ATI PN Comprehensive Indicator (Pathway 1)**

Applicants must submit a copy of the results. Minimum predictability score of 80% is required. Contact CEI testing center for details and scheduling at 208-535-5438. Test can be taken twice within 6 months.

Upload NACE score in supplemental section of application. Passing score valid for 5 years.

**LPN license verification: (Pathway 2)**

Successfully complete the NCLEX by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**ATI Comprehensive Exam: (Pathway 2)**

Upload copy of comprehensive ATI exam score.

**Background Check**

Upload copy of completed Pre-Check background check in supplemental section of application. Completed background checks must be **dated on or after** the following date:

- **January 1<sup>st</sup>** – Spring application period (March 1<sup>st</sup>)

Background checks must be completed by Pre-Check. No other background checks accepted.

Directions to complete the background check are located on the CEI nursing webpage. **It is strongly encouraged to start the background check no less than one month before application deadline.**

**Recommendation Letter**

Submit one signed letter of recommendation from current or previous employer completed by manager/ director in supplemental section of application. Letter needs to contain the following information:

- Review of job/ school performance
- Strengths and weaknesses of applicant
- Why recommending applicant for program

**Immunization Record**

Upload copy of IRIS report in supplemental section of application showing all required immunizations and/or titers, HEP B titer and current flu vaccine. You will want to begin the immunization process as soon as possible. The required immunizations may take up to eight months to complete.



<b>Immunization or Titer</b>	<b>Immunizations MUST BE finished before submitting IRIS report. IRIS report must include all vaccines or Titers.</b>	
MMR shots (2)	*Include on IRIS report	
<b>Or</b> positive MMR Titer	*Include on IRIS report in lieu of vaccines	
Hep B shots (3)	Include on IRIS report	
Hep B Titer <b>(Required with shots)</b>	*Include on IRIS report or provide separate proof. * If you receive a <u>negative/non-reactive</u> titer, you will need to get a Hep B booster and re-draw the titer in 4 weeks. Add booster to IRIS and submit with negative titer to show proof you completed initial requirement.	
Varicella shots (2)	*Include on IRIS report	
<b>Or</b> positive Varicella Titer	*Include on IRIS report in lieu of vaccines	
Tdap-Tetanus	*Within 10 yrs prior to packet submission. Include on IRIS report.	
Flu Vaccine (current year)	*Include on IRIS report. New season shot due October 1 <sup>st</sup> of each year.	
COVID-19 <b>(Required)</b>	*Include on IRIS report or submit CDC immunization card. Must show 2 shots of Pfizer or Moderna or 1 shot for Johnson & Johnson.	

### Immunization Records

You may need to provide the records that you currently have to Eastern Idaho Public Health Department. If you are not obtaining immunizations at EIPH, you will be charged a **\$10.00 fee** to complete your IRIS. Your records will be uploaded to the database. Once the records are complete, you may request a printout of your records. **A copy of your IRIS record must be received by the paperwork deadline. (Immunization cards will not be accepted).**

You may drop off your records, along with the enrollment form, and a check for \$10.00 to:

EIPH  
1250 Hollipark Drive  
Idaho Falls, Idaho 83401  
533-3235

Please identify yourself as a CEI student. **Do this in a timely manner, as it may take some time.** Eastern Idaho Public Health is not obligated to provide you with this information at your convenience.

**Note: Titer results must be added to the IRIS form. You can have them drawn at Express labs, your family doctor or East Idaho Public Health then submit a copy of the results demonstrating immunity.**



**Physical Form**

Upload copy of completed physical form. Form is located on the CEI nursing webpage. Physical forms are valid for one year. **Upload all 3 pages of physical form.**

**Work Verification Form**

Completion of 1800 hours of recent employment as an LPN. Have HR or manager complete and sign the Bridge Work Verification Form located on the CEI Registered Nursing webpage. Upload in supplemental section. You may use more than one form from different employers to show your hours.

**IV Certification (Non-CEI LPN graduates only)**

Upload a copy of your IV certification or an official letter from the educational institution outlining IV education.

**(Optional) Bachelor's Degree Certificate**

Submit a copy of your bachelors' certificate or copy of transcript showing degree for additional bonus points.

**Video Interview**

Complete a video interview that is **up to 3 minutes** in length answering the following questions:

- Why do you want to further your education as a nurse?
- What is your specific plan to be successful in completing the program?
- Why should the selection committee choose you for admission?
- Once you graduate, where do you do see yourself in 5 years?
- Videos need to remain within allotted time, be professional and have well-articulated responses. Remember, this is a video **interview**.
- Instructions for creating video and uploading:
  - Create a YouTube video and E-mail the link to [nursingapplications@cei.edu](mailto:nursingapplications@cei.edu)
  - Email heading should be: Student Name-Nursing Interview RN (year). Please include other names, such as maiden name, in the body of email.
  - Only YouTube links accepted. Directions to create a YouTube video and link are available online.
  - Applicant must be visible.
  - **You must submit your video using your CEI email. Outside emails are blocked and will not show up.** If you need help with your CEI email, please contact the IT Helpdesk.

To complete your application, we will have to manually update your application that the video was received. Please be patient while we complete this process. We will work our way through all applications as quickly as we can.

**Complete & Submit LPN to RN Bridge Application**



The application is located on the CEI nursing webpage. Applications are submitted electronically. Upload all required documentation and additionally optional documents. Incomplete applications will be withdrawn. We do not meet one on one with applicants to review applications.

The application is available all year for submission. Make sure to select the summer semester and year you would like to **START** the program on your application. Applications and all required documentation must be received by the above outlined deadline to start in the corresponding summer semester. Review of your application does not guarantee a spot in the program. Applicants must reapply each period if not accepted in to the registered nursing bridge program.

Please reach out to [Rebecca.Killion@cei.edu](mailto:Rebecca.Killion@cei.edu) if you are having issues with your application or login.

### **Post Acceptance Paperwork**

Once you receive notice that you are accepted into the professional portion of the Practical Nursing Program, the following documentation will be required **before the start of the semester**:

#### **BLS CPR Certification:**

A current "Official" American Heart Association **OR** American Red Cross BLS for Healthcare Providers card is required. Your BLS CPR certification must be from one of the two companies listed above. No other organizations are accepted. You are required to maintain current CPR certification throughout the entire program and it cannot expire during the semester.

#### **TB Test:**

TB test results. Must be one of the following:

- QuantiFERON-TB Gold Plus Test results
- Chest x-ray (**ONLY for previous positive TB results.**)

#### **Proof of Health Insurance:**

Proof of health insurance coverage is required. You must remain insured while in the professional portion of the Practical Nursing program. If your insurance coverage changes, you are required to update your information ASAP.

**Post acceptance paperwork will be due on the following date:**

- **May 1<sup>st</sup>**

