



# MICs Group of Health Services

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## Considering a Career in Health Care? There are plenty to choose from!

### **Registered Practical Nurse (RPN) ([www.werpn.com](http://www.werpn.com))**

If providing care and helping to improve the lives of others is your passion, consider a career in nursing. In Ontario, nursing is one profession with two categories: **Registered Practical Nurse (RPN)** and Registered Nurse (RN). RPNs are health care professionals—they combine nursing skill, knowledge and judgment and are experts of nursing care at the bedside. At MICs, RPNs work in acute, emergency, complex continuing care, long-term care, telemedicine, diabetes, pharmacy, and specialty clinics.

#### **Education Requirements:**

RPNs are community college graduates. After graduation, they write a national certification examination. Once they successfully complete this exam, they are registered to practice as a nurse by the College of Nurses of Ontario (CNO). All nurses must renew their CNO registration annually, maintaining up-to-date skills and knowledge of current practices, to preserve their professional standing.

To become a Registered Practical Nurse you require an Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) which includes Grade 12 english, math and biology plus one science (chemistry or physics)

In Ontario, this program is offered:

[Centennial College](http://www.centennialcollege.ca) 

[George Brown College](http://www.georgebrown.ca) 

[Georgian College](http://www.georgianc.on.ca) 

[Humber College](http://www.humber.ca) 

[Seneca College](http://www.senecac.on.ca) 

[Sheridan College](http://www.sheridanc.on.ca) 

[Algonquin College](http://www.algonquincollege.com) 

[Durham College](http://www.durhamc.on.ca) 

[Fleming College](http://www.flemingc.on.ca) 

[La Cité Collégiale](http://www.lacitec.on.ca) 

[Loyalist College](http://www.loyalistcollege.com) 

[St. Lawrence College](http://www.sl.on.ca) 

[Cambrian College](http://www.cambriancollege.ca) 

[Canadore College](http://www.canadorec.on.ca) 


[Collège Boréal](http://www.borealc.on.ca) 

[Confederation College](http://www.confederationc.on.ca) 

[Northern College](http://www.northernc.on.ca) 

[Sault College](http://www.saultc.on.ca) 

[Conestoga College](http://www.conestogac.on.ca) 

[Fanshawe College](http://www.fanshawec.ca) 

[Lambton College](http://www.lambton.on.ca) 

[Mohawk College](http://www.mohawkcollege.ca) 

[Niagara College](http://www.niagaracollege.ca) 

[St. Clair College](http://www.stclaircollege.ca) 

**Employment Opportunities** –RPNs work anywhere that health care is provided , in hospitals, homes for the aged, nursing homes, retirement homes, public health units, community nursing agencies, clinics, private practice, industry, schools, child care centers, children's camps. Many RPNs complete post-graduate education for critical care skills used in the operating rooms, dialysis, emergency and intensive care. Job prospects for nurses are excellent. Ontario is facing a nursing shortage because baby boomers are starting to retire, the population is aging, more services are being delivered to patients at home, in the community and there is increased emphasis on illness prevention.