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## June is National Safety Month!

National Safety Month is celebrated in June when people focus on how they can keep their environment safe and free from any danger. Preventable injuries, commonly known as “accidents,” are the fourth leading cause of U.S. deaths. By learning about safety methods, we can increase pressure on employers to offer a safer working environment to their employees. **How to Celebrate?** 1. Conduct a home fire drill. 2. Update your first-aid kit 3. Practice self-defense.

all of us at Platinum.

To all you Nursing educators out there—thank you from

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## Who is Platinum Educational Group, exactly?

As Platinum Educational Group continues to broaden the versatility of its solutions for healthcare professions, as well as increase our audience, we would like to remind people of who we are and what we do!

We are staunch advocates for the highest degree of training for all Nursing levels. We are proud to boast the best testing prep and skills-tracking programs for each.

**\*Factoid—**Since 2015, We have delivered 500+ new features and updates for our customers, many at their request!

**Our Mission:** Deliver valid & reliable testing, scheduling, competency tracking, & compliance reporting solutions.

**Our Vision:** Every learner in the world can benefit from our solutions.

## Price Increase Notification for 2023- Reminder

**Effective August 1, 2023**



Platinum Educational Group has not had a price increase since 2018, however, our pricing schedule will increase **slightly** in 2023. These increases will not affect training institutional fees, but student fees will see a **nominal** change. We do our best to not for our valued customers, but at times it is unavoidable.

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## Applications Open for 2023 Scholarships for EMS, Nursing, and Allied Health Students!

**Send to your students to apply today!**

Platinum Educational Group's annual scholarship's goal is to provide students entering the EMS, Nursing, and Allied Health fields with assistance in funding their early higher education. These scholarships are intended for certificate programs or students in undergraduate

degree programs. We have made our 2023 scholarships so easy to apply for! There is no essay or recommendation form requirement! We loved the selfies so much last year, we are doing it again!

**WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY AND WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS?**



## Platinum Educational Group is Helping Nursing Programs Raise Their Pass Rates

**Affordable Online Testing Platform**

The staff at Platinum Educational Group understands the obstacles of budgets when it comes to programs looking for affordable online solutions to assist your students. It is challenging raising and keeping pass rates up due to limited reasonably priced resources, questionable content validity, and higher cost of study tools that your program experiences. In 2016, Platinum created their online exam simulation platform, called [PlatinumTests.com](https://www.platinumtests.com), for Nursing training institutions.

Some of the unique qualities that distinguishes PlatinumTests.com from other NCLEX study prep companies include:

- **True Computer Adaptive Testing** that mimics the NCLEX exam testing format.
- **Test simulator** that can accurately predict your students' NCLEX exam readiness.
- **Detailed reporting** that shows topic and module strengths and weaknesses.
- **Unlimited testing!** No cap limits on how many tests a student can take.
- **Affordable.** Only a one-time fee of \$45 for LPN/LVN students and \$90 for RN students.

Access to over 3,000 PN and 4,000 RN objective-based questions written and reviewed by industry experts in Nursing.

**Stop spending hours creating your own tests or paying a king's ransom for a quality solution! We have an**

**affordable online testing solution that will amaze you!** We would be honored to show you our online testing solution. Simply click the link below, select your State, and **then find a time that works for you!** We look forward to meeting you!

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**“We love PlatinumTests and find that it is very user-friendly. It saves me a ton of time when creating tests and was blown away at how cost-effective it was! I remember asking Platinum Educational Group HOW they were so much less than other online programs I looked at. They truly saved my program and students money while offering an amazing online testing solution! Their Customer Support is also wonderful and extremely responsive!”** Missy Lemasters MSN-ED, RN-BC, Practical Nursing Coordinator, Trumbull Career & Technical Center (OH)

### PLATINUM PLANNER



## Finally, Nursing Competency and Externship Tracking Made EASY and AFFORDABLE!

We have heard for years about the challenges of keeping track of students' competencies and externship efficiently. That's why we have developed a competency tracking program, entitled Platinum Planner, that will take care of it all for you--**easily and with no institutional cost!** This flexible program tracks clinicals, externship, schedules, and any other competencies. It is customizable to **YOUR** specific Nursing program using **YOUR** terminology. It assists in clinicals, labs, and classroom experiences. It also generates reports for student progress and accreditation standards—all in an **easy-to-use electronic format!** **Platinum Planner comes with a FREE fully functional mobile app for students and clinical instructors!**

Do not waste time tracking your students with paper and pencil or with expensive online platforms! We have an easier and more cost-effective solution!

[Top 10 Reasons to Use PlatinumPlanner.com](#)



## Verify Students and Medicat: Your Tool for Managing Student Compliance with Immunization Requirements

By Levi Perkins, Corporate Screening

VerifyStudents and Medicat One ICM combine to provide an integrated solution for collecting and verifying student health immunization data, helping you to tackle common immunization tracking challenges, such as:

- Compliance with health information privacy requirements set by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) and the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)
- A lack of tools to help you understand student compliance metrics in real-time
- Errors and inconsistencies caused by using spreadsheets or paper tracking
- Limited staff to verify the accuracy and legitimacy of student-submitted health records

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## The Power of Scaffolding in Adult Education

By John H Spencer III, MBA, MSL, EMT-P, IC, Chief Operations Officer, Platinum Educational Group

In the ever-evolving world that we live in, the pursuit of knowledge is a lifelong journey. For adults engaging in education, the concept of scaffolding plays a crucial role in their learning process. Scaffolding, a term borrowed from construction, refers to the temporary support structures that enable workers to reach higher points and construct complex structures. Similarly, in education, scaffolding serves as a support system that propels adults toward higher levels of learning and understanding.

While the concept of scaffolding was initially introduced in child education, it has gained significant recognition and importance in adult learning environments. Adults, with their unique experiences, motivations, and learning styles, require a tailored approach that takes into account their existing knowledge and skills. Scaffolding provides the necessary framework for adult learners to bridge the gap between their current understanding and the desired learning outcomes.

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## Episode 55: Know The Rules! Case Study: Anti-Kickback

By Kim Shutters Software Quality Validation Engineer

Today, I am presenting a case study of what happens when a Covered Entity (CE) and a pharmaceutical company collude to violate the Federal Anti-Kickback Statute and the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Privacy Rule.

Healthcare has a Federal Anti-kickback Statute (AKS), 42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7b(b), that makes it illegal for providers to knowingly and willfully accept bribes or other forms of remuneration in return for generating Medicare, Medicaid or ANY other federal health care program business.

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## From the Customer Support Team

**Q:** Were there any changes to pediatric age skill groups for SMC23?

**A:** To better serve the SMC23 vision of the pediatric age group skills, we've slightly changed the way the formative version of these skills are accessed. For Paramedic SMC23 courses we've added new skill group skill totals in addition to the overall pediatric patients (formative) and Pediatric patients (competency) group totals. Courses that did not change from our base original template should see these new options in your courses. If you do not see these changes, admins can choose to activate these changes manually. (Note: Any new Paramedic courses being created with our SMC23 template will have these options now by default)

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**“Platinum Planner IT is great with helping to fix our issues and work out any kinks we have! Couldn't ask for a**

**better service for our students!” Nancy Huff, Instructor at El Paso Community College**

## News From Our Allies in Education

Every month we feature a key news snippet or other information from our allies in **Nursing** Education. Contact us if you want to connect and see how we can collaborate!



### **Making dreams a reality. Helping students pass the NCLEX since 1971.**

Our mission is to help repeat test-takers and foreign-trained Nurses pass the NCLEX®-RN/LPN exam.

Our comprehensive content review course is designed to decrease test anxiety, instill self-confidence, and consistently deliver great results.

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## Staff Updates - Who is new at Platinum?



### **Virginia Anzengruber, Marketing Manager**

Virginia Anzengruber comes to us with 13+ years of communications/PR, digital marketing/advertising, SEO, and video production experience. In addition, Virginia has worked on films/TV, such as, Tomb Raider, Parks and Rec, Captain America, Suicide Squad and more. Most recently working for Brevard Symphony. Virginia just recently moved back to Grand Rapids and is so thrilled to be back in West Michigan again.



### **Rob Blackston, Business Development Manager**

Rob Blackston, M.ED, CST, CSFA, FAST, comes to us with 12+ years in Surgical Technology instructional design. Rob also worked for ARC/STSA (Surg Tech accrediting body) collaborating with CoAEMSP and several other accrediting bodies. Rob currently resides in Idaho and will manage the west coast territory after the training period. And CONGRATULATIONS are in order for Rob, who just confirmed a seat on the AST Board of Directors!



## **Customer Showcase: Mohave Community College (AZ)**

Every month we give a little bit of love to one of our valued customers! This month we celebrate the awesome **Nursing** staff at **Mohave Community College (AZ)**.

Mohave Community College (MCC) was established as a county college by a vote of the people in October 1970. Recognizing the vastness of the service area, the first Board of Governors made a commitment to establishing three main campus sites. In June 1971, J. Leonard and Grace Neal donated 160 acres of land where the college's first facilities were developed.

In 1981, MCC received full accreditation from the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA). In 1982, the college received full accreditation of its associate degree in Nursing. In the same year, the Board of Governors approved the development of a telecommunications system to link the three main campuses together electronically.

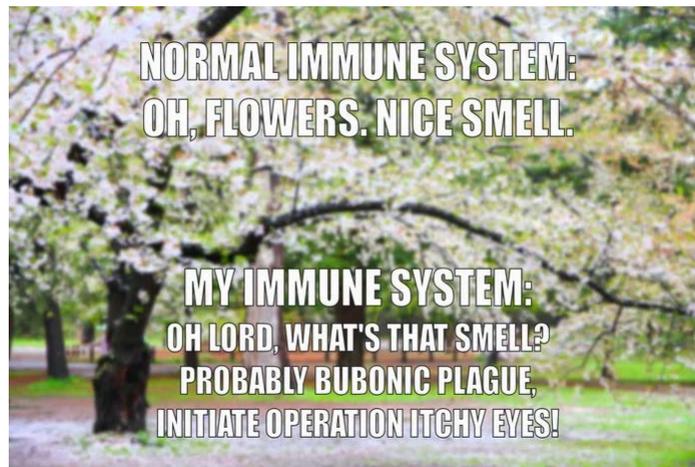
When it opened in 1971 the college offered just 27 courses. Today MCC offers more than 60 degree and certificate options for students, and the tuition rate has held steady at \$81 per credit hour making it an extremely affordable higher education option for the people of Mohave County and the tri-state region.

**Nursing Program:** The ultimate goal of the Nursing Department is to prepare graduates for safe and effective clinical

practice. The Nursing programs are offered countywide with classes in the southern part of Mohave County in Kingman, Lake Havasu City and Bullhead City, and the northern part of the County in Colorado City. Students successfully completing the program will be eligible to take the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX- RN). Students at Mohave Community College had over 75% NCLEX-RN First Time Pass Rate in 2021-2022.

**We want to thank them for their trust in our solutions and their trust in our customer service, and for their trust in our reputation to provide the highest quality of both!**

## Keep You Laughing



The **Platinum Educational Group** newsletter is dedicated to **Nursing** instructors, administrators, and providers. If you have any questions please reach out to us anytime either by [email](#) or call **616.818.7877**. Please confirm your subscription.

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