**20:48:07:29.  Practical nurse education curriculum.** The curriculum for programs preparing for practical nurse licensure shall include:

(1)  Concepts in biological and physical sciences:

(a)  Anatomy and physiology;

(b)  Microbiology;

(c)  Nutrition; and

(d)  Pharmacology;

(2)  Concepts in behavioral science:

(a)  Interpersonal relations;

(b)  Communication;

(c)  Patient-centered culturally competent care; and

(d)  Interprofessional communication and collaboration; and

(3)  Nursing theory and clinical instruction of basic nursing concepts to enable the student to develop competence at the entry level as a practical nurse in each of the following areas:

(a)  Adult health nursing;

(b)  Maternal child health nursing;

(c)  Geriatric nursing;

(d)  Basic concepts of clinical judgment (the nursing process) and professional responsibilities;

(e)  Scope of practice for LPNs;

(f)  Legal and ethical basis of nursing practice;

(g)  Nursing history; and

(h)  Trends in nursing and healthcare delivery; and

(4)  Knowledge of technology used in nursing practice and special health care problems.

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