Nursing is assessing, diagnosing, and treating actual or potential health problems and the planning, implementation, and evaluation of nursing care. Professional nurses are committed to the overall goal of health promotion and the care and nurturing of people who are ill. Nurses also help people to achieve and maintain a healthy state, meet their basic needs, adapt to changes in their health status, recover from illness, and die with dignity. Registered Nurses choose fields of practice based on specializations in work setting, type of treatment, patient conditions, and/or patient populations.¹

### Career Areas/Job Titles:

**Management and Industry**
- Corporate Wellness Officer
- Human Resources Benefits Officer
- Independent Clinic Manager

**Registered Nurse (RN) in Healthcare**
- Ambulatory Care Nurse
- Critical Care Nurse
- Emergency/Trauma Nurse
- Holistic Nurse
- Home Healthcare Nurse

**Education**
- Operating Room Nurse
- Oncology Nurse
- Neonatal Nurse
- Pediatric Nurse

**Non-Profit/Advocacy**
- School Nurse
- HIV/AIDS Prevention Counselor
- Women’s Health Specialist

**Government/Politics**
- Patient Advocate
- Member of Healthcare Regulatory Body
- Policy Researcher/Developer
- Policy Analyst

**Graduate School**
- Clinical Nurse Specialist
- Nurse Anesthetist
- Nurse-Midwives
- Nurse Practitioner

*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.

### Transferable Skills:

- Speaking Effectively
- Computer Skills
- Interpersonal Skills
- Analytical/Critical Thinking
- Problem-Solving
- Cultural Understanding

- Social Perceptiveness
- Judgment & Decision Making
- Leadership
- Teamwork
- Detail-Oriented
- Counseling Skills

- Healthcare Fundamentals
- Biology Focus
- Autonomy
- Stewardship

*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here: [http://ccss.osu.edu](http://ccss.osu.edu)

### Professional Links:

- American Association of Colleges of Nursing: [http://www.aacn.nche.edu/](http://www.aacn.nche.edu/)
- American Academy of Nurse Practitioners: [http://www.aanp.org/AANPCMS2](http://www.aanp.org/AANPCMS2)
- Ohio Board of Nursing: [http://nursing.ohio.gov/](http://nursing.ohio.gov/)