

## 2008 WY Parish Nurse Registration

NAME (printed)

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

TELEPHONE ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

CONGREGATION/ CHURCH'S NAME

ADDRESS

CITY, STATE, ZIP

CHURCH TELEPHONE

Our parish/church/faith community is supportive of

\_\_\_\_\_ (nurse's name) participating in this training event and she/he will receive our support to implement this ministry upon return to us. Today's date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of PASTOR/MINISTER

Printed name of PASTOR/MINISTER

**One-third of the registration fee (\$100) must accompany this registration form and is due by May 15, 2008 in order to hold your place in the course. The balance (\$200) is due on first day of event.**

Please pay by check and make check payable to:

**The Wyoming Health Council  
1920 Thomes Ave, Suite 100  
Cheyenne, WY 82001  
Phone: 307-632-3640**

**Note:** Often churches or diocese/conference offices offer continuing education grants. We encourage you to seek their assistance to help cover the cost of this course and your room, meals and travel expenses.

**Once we receive your registration form and deposit we will mail you a registration confirmation packet.**

### FACULTY:

Cynthia Gustafson, Ph.D., R.N., Chair of Nursing, Director - Parish Nurse Center, Carroll College and Parish Nurse, Our Redeemer Lutheran Church, Helena, Montana.

Additional faculty will include regional and state experts in health and faith issues, including representatives from various denominations.

**TRAINING COORDINATOR:** Carol E. Peterson, M.S., R.N., Health Promotion / Disease Prevention Specialist, Wyoming Health Council and Parish Nurse, St. Mark's Episcopal Church, Cheyenne, WY.

### Questions?

Contact Carol at 307-632-3640 or [carol@wyhc.org](mailto:carol@wyhc.org).



### Event Sponsors / Partners:

Cheyenne Regional Medical Center

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Parish Nurse Center, Carroll College  
Helena, MT

Wyoming Department of Health, Breast and  
Cervical Cancer Early Detection

Wyoming Health Council

Wyoming Primary Care Association

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## 2nd Annual Wyoming Parish / Faith Community Nurse Basic Preparation Course

**A Non-Denominational,  
Ecumenical Event**

**Cheyenne, WY**

**June 15 - 19, 2008**



**WHAT** - This 35-hour parish nurse / faith community nurse continuing education, basic preparation course is for nurses that hold an **active, valid RN license**.

This **non-denominational, ecumenical** course is based on curriculum developed through the International Parish Nurse Resource Center, St. Louis, MO in cooperation with the Health Ministries Association Inc., Rosewell, GA.

**WHEN - June 15-19, 2008**

Event begins Sunday June 15, 2008 at 1:30 pm and ends at noon Thursday June 19th.

**WHERE:** TRAINING LOCATION : St. Christopher's Episcopal Church (parish hall), 2602 Deming Blvd., Cheyenne, WY

**COST** : \$300 (Includes all educational materials, snacks, and one meal). One third of the fee (\$100) is due at the time of registration. Lodging is not included in this registration fee. The Wyoming Health Council can recommend local motels.

**QUALIFICATIONS FOR PARTICIPANTS**

- Commitment to a wholistic concept of health care, including the spriritual dimension of healing and health
- Good communication skills
- Ability to work with others from the congregation and larger community
- A demonstrated relationship with a faith community (participants are encouraged to have their faith community sponsor them and provide some financial assistance to help cover costs)
- Time and desire to implement a parish nurse / health ministry program within their faith community
- Active, valid license to practice as a Registered Nurse.

**WHAT IS HEALTH MINISTRY/PARISH NURSING?**

A parish nurse/faith community nurse is called and committed to the tradition of healing ministry. Each serves a faith community to help meet emotional, physical and spiritual needs. The parish nurse/faith community nurse may be a paid or unpaid member of church staff working with the congregation and local community to establish and sustain a health ministry program.

A parish nurse/health ministry program is generally developed on the following concepts:

1. Health ministries are based on achieving wholeness, acknowledging the close connection between mind, body, and spirit.
2. Healthcare requires more than medical treatment of disease or illness.
3. Health ministries advocate for health promotion and disease prevention.
4. Parish nurses/faith community nurses are caring, spiritually mature people who reach out to comfort, console, strengthen, teach and encourage the faith community.

Parish Nurse / Health Ministry programs may include the following activities: health screening; educational programs that promote wellness by integrating the concepts and practices of faith and health; advocating for clients and connecting them with resources; listening and providing support and referral; training and coordinating volunteers; visitation in the home or healthcare setting.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS** - This course provides 35 contact hours (CEUs) as approved by the Montana Nurses Association.

***Learn More About Parish Nursing on Line:***

International Parish Nurse Association

[www.parishnurses.org](http://www.parishnurses.org)

Health Ministry Association [www.hmassoc.org](http://www.hmassoc.org)

Parish Nurse Center at Carroll College, Helena, MT  
[www.carroll.edu/parishnurse](http://www.carroll.edu/parishnurse)

**TRAINING TOPICS COVERED**

- Health, Healing and Wholeness in the Faith Community
- History and Philosophy of Parish Nursing/Health Ministry
- Ethics in Parish Nursing/Health Ministry
- Legal Issues and Accountability in Parish Nursing/Health Ministry
- Self Care for Parish Nurses/Health Ministers
- Assessment: Individual, Family, Faith Community
- Functions of the Parish Nurse/Health Minister
  - Integrator of Faith and Health
  - Personal Health Counselor
  - Health Educator
  - Referral Agent
  - Coordinator of Volunteers
  - Accessing and Developing Support Groups
- Getting Started
- Functioning within a Ministerial Team
- Health Promotion and Wellness
- Prayer and the Worship Leader
- Grief and Loss
- Family Violence
- Documentation

