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HCA Healthcare and Galen College of Nursing Announce Plans For New Campus in Aurora, Colorado

Aurora's Nursing Education Facility to Help Answer Need for New Nurses

Aurora, CO., **X.XX.2023** – HCA Healthcare and Galen College of Nursing have officially announced plans to open a future campus in Aurora, a suburb of Denver, Colorado. Aimed at addressing the area's growing need for skilled nursing professionals, the Aurora campus will offer a 3-Year Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) program alongside a 2-Year Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN). These programs are tailored to meet the needs of aspiring nurses, helping them enter the workforce well-prepared and practice ready.

According to a recent <u>report</u>, there will be an estimated 200K-450K shortage of nurses in the U.S. by 2025, influenced by increased demand from an aging population, more nurses leaving the profession, and the inadequate supply of graduates from nursing schools. With a mission focused on expanding nursing education, Galen is committed to bolstering the new-to-nursing pipeline that is critical to healthcare.

"We are delighted to extend our reach into Aurora, furthering our mission to offer quality nursing education in regions where it's needed most," said Mark Vogt, CEO of Galen. "Our state-of-the-art facility, combined with our proven curriculum, will help ensure that our graduates are equipped with the skills needed to excel in the evolving world of patient care."

Located at 3190 S Vaughn Way, the campus will feature modern resources from advanced patient simulation laboratories to classroom environments designed to encourage practice-based learning – creating a unique hands-on learning experience. Galen's student support model has helped over 30,000 graduates enter the profession over the last three decades.

NAME added, "We are excited to work with Galen to welcome more passionate people into the nursing profession to care for Coloradans. Many of the communities we serve are among the fastest growing in the nation, and it's critical that we ensure access to nursing education as we continue to meet the changing healthcare needs in the state. Having one of the nation's leading nurse educators right here in Aurora will help us nurture the pipeline of new nurses and

provide continuing education options to the thousands of nurses and clinicians already serving patients."

The inaugural term at the Aurora campus is expected to commence on January 8th, 2024. Enrollment for the ADN and BSN programs is now in progress. Galen also offers online RN to BSN and MSN programs for nurses aspiring to advance their education in support of career growth and development. For additional information or to schedule a campus tour, call (877) 233-7040 or visit galencollege.edu

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About Galen College of Nursing

Founded more than 30 years ago, <u>Galen College of Nursing</u> is one of the largest private nursing colleges in the United States. With a focus solely on nursing education, Galen offers master's, baccalaureate, associate, and practical/vocational nursing programs to over 13,000 students on its campuses in 19 enrolling campuses across 10 states, plus online. Galen is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate, baccalaureate, and master's degrees. Programmatic accreditation status for Galen's programs can be found on the College website.

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