

Nursing Orientation FAQs

1. How should I dress for orientation?

Business attire. Dress comfortably and bring a sweater or light jacket. The conference rooms tend to be cool.

2. How long will I be in orientation?

The nursing department orientation runs from 3 days to 6 days depending on your job description and the unit to which you are hired. The unit based orientation will be customized to fit your level of experience. New graduates on the med-surg areas will have a 10 week orientation in addition to the nursing department orientation. Orientation in critical care areas is generally 12 weeks.

3. Will I be assigned to one preceptor?

You will be assigned to one or two preceptors during your orientation. Preceptors will be determined by your nurse managers. You will follow your preceptor's schedule during your orientation.

4. What paperwork must be completed before I finish orientation?

You will be given several exercises/tests during orientation that must be completed within 2 weeks after orientation. All modules on SiTEL must be completed within 90 days of your hire date. You will be required to complete a Skills Checklist during the unit based orientation.

5. What should I bring to orientation?

Bring your CPR and ACLS card if you have one. We will make a copy for your employee folder.

6. How often are CPR and/or ACLS offered?

CPR is offered monthly through the nursing department. Classes are posted on SiTEL. Registration is completed through SiTEL. Your educator/preceptor will show you how to register for classes during your orientation. ACLS is offered through the Good Health Center on a monthly basis. Both the 2-day initial class and recertification class is offered monthly.

7. When will I receive access to the computer programs at MGS?

Your manager will give you access to e-mail and other computer programs within the first two weeks of employment.

All RN's and LPN's will receive access to Pyxis after successfully completing the medication exam.