NLN Pre-Admission Exam Frequently Asked Questions

1. **What do I need to do to take the NLN Pre-Admission Exam?** Students need to apply to the IRSC Nursing Program, make their testing appointment and pay for both the IRSC Heath Science Application Fee and the NLN Testing Fee by the published deadline date.

2. **How long is the NLN Pre-Admission Examination?** The NLN Pre-Admission Examination is a 2 hour computerized test.

3. **What sections are included on the NLN Pre-Admission Examination?**
   - Verbal – Word knowledge and reading comprehension
   - Math – Basic calculations, word problems, algebra, geometry, conversions, graphs and applied math
   - Science – General biology, chemistry, physics and earth science

4. **How many questions are on the test?** There are 160 questions on the NLN-Pre-Admission Examination.
   - Verbal - 60 questions
   - Math - 40 questions
   - Science - 60 questions

5. **Is the NLN Pre-Admission Examination timed?** Yes
   - Verbal - 40 minutes
   - Math - 40 minutes
   - Science - 40 minutes

6. **Is there a viewable timer in this test?** Yes, there is a countdown timer available for the Verbal, Math and Science sections of the NLN Pre-Admission Examination. A red bar will indicate your progress in each section.

7. **Are students permitted to use a calculator on the NLN Pre-Admission Examination?** Yes, but calculators will be provided. No outside calculators will be permitted in the testing room.

8. **What is the retest policy for the NLN Pre-Admission Examination?** Examinees are permitted one attempt per registration period (i.e. one attempt in the fall and one attempt in the summer). Testing attempts not in accordance with this policy will not be used for admission to the Practical Nursing or Registered Nursing programs at Indian River State College. No refund will be provided for multiple test attempts during the same registration period. Please note, the same exam is used for both the PN and RN programs. Students applying for both programs can only test once per registration period.

9. **How long are my NLN scores valid?** The new NLN test scores will be valid for one year.

10. **Does this test contain any experimental test questions?** No, there are no experimental test questions included in this exam.
11. I took the NLN Pre-Admission Exam in 2015, do I need to create a new NLN account? Yes, all examinees taking the NLN Pre-Admission Examination after January 2016, for the first time, will need to create a new NLN account.

12. Who needs to take the NLN Pre-Admission Examination? Any student wishing to be considered for the Practical Nursing or Registered Nursing programs at Indian River State College.

13. When will I get my scores? 24 hours after completing the NLN Pre-Admission Examination, your score report will be available online at http://nlnonlinetesting.org. All NLN score reports will be automatically sent to the Indian River State College Nursing Department.

14. When can I take the NLN Pre-Admission Examination? Students applying for the Indian River State College Nursing Program will be able to take the NLN Pre-Admission Exam once during the fall semester and once during the summer semester. The testing schedule can be found on the Assessment Services website (see below).
   - Go to http://www.irsc.edu,
   - Type “NLN” in the search box located in the upper right corner of the webpage and press enter
   - Select “Exams Offered”.
   - Click on “National League of Nursing (NLN) Pre-Admission Examination”

15. What do I need to bring on test day? On the day of your scheduled test, you will need to bring:
   - A valid photo ID (broken, cut, taped or expired IDs are not acceptable.)
   - Your paid receipts for both the NLN Testing Fee and the IRSC Health Science Application
   - Your NLN User ID and password

16. How do I cancel or reschedule my NLN Pre-Admission Examination?
   - You may reschedule your NLN Pre-Admission Examination up to 5 business days prior to your testing date. Just send an email to customerhelp@nln.org and state that you need to reschedule your testing appointment. Make sure to include your full name, date of birth, NLN User ID, the original testing date and the new testing date you are requesting in your email.
   - If it is less than five business days before the exam date, you will no longer have the option to reschedule your NLN Pre-Admission Examination. You will need to send an email to customerhelp@nln.org stating that you want your registration cancelled. Make sure to include your full name, date of birth, NLN User ID and the testing date that needs to be canceled in your email.
   - If you accidentally schedule two testing appointments, please send an email to customerhelp@nln.org and tell them you need to cancel one of your appointments. Make sure to include your full name, date of birth, NLN User ID and the testing date that needs to be canceled in your email.

17. How much does the NLN Pre-Admission Examination cost? The testing fee for this exam is $75.00 (includes $39 exam plus $36 administrative/proctoring fee). After making your NLN testing appointment online, you will pay the $75.00 fee directly to the IRSC Cashier. You will not pay the testing fee online to NLN. This fee can be paid in cash, by check or credit card. The $75.00 fee can be paid any time before your testing session. Please note, that both the NLN Pre-Admission Testing Fee and the IRSC Health Science Application Fee are non-refundable.