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NMCC to offer several courses in Healthcare in coming months

Aroostook County - Even in the current challenging economic times, one sector showing modest growth is healthcare. To help meet the need for additional personnel, Northern Maine Community College is offering several short-term medical profession courses this spring.

A *Certified Residential Medication Aide (CRMA)* course is scheduled from Thursday, January 27, through Thursday, February 10, on Thursdays and Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. In this 40 hour course, students will learn safe, accurate and appropriate methods of administering medications as well as acceptable documentation techniques. Upon successful completion, participants will be certified by the State of Maine to administer oral medications in residential care settings. This course costs \$350.

For students needing to update their CRMA Certification, a *CRMA Recertification* course is scheduled for Friday, March 4, or Wednesday, May 4, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. This 8 hour course offers a complete review and update on the state regulation for the administration of medications. CRMA's are required to recertify every two years. A Current CRMA 40 certificate is required to register for this course. The cost is \$129.

An *Advanced Life Support Refresher* course is being offered on Mondays, February 7, 14, & 28, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Friday to Sunday, March 4, 5, & 6, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. This 48 hour course, designed for EMT Intermediates and Paramedics, meets the educational requirements for re-licensure and for registration in the National Registry for EMT's. The cost of this course is \$220.

Other upcoming healthcare courses include Basic Life Support for Healthcare Providers, Adult First Aid with CPR & AED, Pediatric Advanced Life Support Provider (PALS), and EMT Basic Refresher.

For more information or to register for these non-credit courses, contact the College's Continuing Education Division at 768-2849.

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