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New course offers students an introduction to healthcare professions

Aroostook County - *Introduction to the Healthcare Professions* will be offered by Northern Maine Community College beginning in January at the College's Presque Isle campus, as well as at its off-campus location at the Houlton Higher Ed Center. This new course is both a foundation to the proposed new Medical Assisting program which the College plans to offer next fall, as well as an excellent resource for anyone wanting to enter a healthcare field—such as the College's Nursing or Emergency Medical Services programs.

The course, which will originate in Presque Isle and will be offered via Polycom distance learning in Houlton, will be offered on Thursday afternoons from 1:00-5:00 p.m., beginning January 18, 2007 and running through mid-May. This course is designed to provide students with the tools essential for success in health care programs. Topics presented will include personal care management, ethical and legal issues, cultural influences on health care, introductory pharmacology, and basic clinical lab skills. The assignments are developed to expose students to a variety of health care occupations, roles, and setting.

To register for this class, call the College's Presque Isle campus at 768-2787 or the NMCC off-campus center office in Houlton at 521-3154.

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