# COX COLLEGE CoxHealth

## OZARKS TECHNICAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

# Articulation Agreement Between Cox College and Ozarks Technical Community College

#### Purpose:

This agreement establishes an articulation program between Ozarks Technical Community College, Springfield, Missouri (OTC) and Cox College, Springfield, Missouri (Cox). This agreement seeks to provide a seamless transfer of OTC students who have been awarded the Associate of Science in Nursing (ASN) degree into the RN to BSN degree program sponsored by Cox.

#### Objectives:

- To increase the number of baccalaureate prepared nurses in Missouri, in the Ozark region and beyond;
- To facilitate a seamless transfer of qualified degreed OTC students to Cox;
- To expedite the training of qualified associate degree students to the next level of formal education in nursing;
- To provide an avenue and venue for learning and development not now available.

### **Terms of the Agreement:**

- Cox will accept approved OTC courses for transfer credit when an official transcript indicates conferring of an approved associate of science degree;
- Cox will visit OTC at their request once a semester and provide a workshop to all interested students regarding course pre-requisites, application process and Cox policies to ensure seamless and timely transition.
- Cox will provide academic and financial aid advisement to all OTC graduates seeking admission, according to the normal institutional guidelines and contingent upon documentation of need;
- Cox will provide all student services needed to ensure student support and quality learning at the highest level,

- OTC will ensure that all courses in the OTC Associate of Science in Nursing degree have a grade of "C" or better;
- OTC graduates will have completed all courses listed in the Cox Catalog that are referred to as courses required "Prior to Program Entry". Those courses not available at OTC may be taken at Cox in the preparation for program entry;
- OTC graduates will adhere to the transfer standards and other guidelines as set forth in the Cox Catalog;
- OTC graduates will adhere to the Cox deadlines for application and transfer and payment of fees;
- Faculty and administration from each program will be encouraged to meet at least annually to discuss issues of curriculum and student development.

#### **Cox College Admission Requirements:**

RN to BSN Program

Program requirements:

- 1. Minimum cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale;
- 2. Background Check;
- 3. Drug free status via drug screening test;
- 4. Degree requirements are subject to change; changes will be forwarded to Ozarks Technical Community College administration a semester before they go into effect.

### **Renewal and Termination of This Agreement:**

Each institution is responsible for communication regarding curricular changes, requirements, or student issues that arise. Once this agreement has been signed, it will go into effect and will be automatically renewed each year. Either college may terminate this agreement with one semester advanced written notice. All students already accepted by Cox or in place at Cox will continue on to program conclusion.

Cox and OTC act independently in the performance of this agreement and shall not be considered employees, agents, affiliates or subsidiaries of each other. Neither college has the right to obligate the other in any way outside of this agreement. This agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Missouri.

Cox College

Ozarks/Technical Community College

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