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Accreditation of the Cariboo College Nursing program has been extended for another three years, until December, 1985, as a result of the recent review performed by the Registered Nurses' Association of British Columbia, Nursing Chairperson Jeanette Furber has announced.

The Association's committee on Approval of Education Programs Preparatory to Nurse Registration reviewed the College's Nursing Program Curriculum Report of October, 1982, and sent three delegates to meet with College administration, nursing instructors, students, and head nurses from Royal Inland Hospital.

Furber noted that three years is the maximum period the R.N.A.B.C. will allow for accreditation of a nursing program at the college or university level.

In short, Furber said the written review, completed in December, 1982, highly commended those involved with the program at the College for the curriculum, program evaluation process, and efforts to secure summer employment for the student nurses.

Despite budgetary constraints, the report said, the faculty developed a systematic and comprehensive method of evaluation in terms of measuring the students' performance and educational processes.

To ensure that they gain practical experience, the third-year student nurses are sent to outlying hospitals as well as to the Royal Inland Hospital, where they work all shifts, including weekends, with a registered nurse.

Hospitals cooperating with this aspect of the program include Merritt, Ashcroft, Salmon Arm and Lillooet.

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Currently there are 127 student nurses enrolled, of whom 32 are in the third year.

Application forms for September enrollment are available through the Student Services department at the College.

Interested students are requested to make an appointment with a counsellor before enrolling or to see Mrs. Furber for further information on the program.

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