Individuals can enter and exit at various points along pathways within a field, earning different credentials along the way. The Registered Nurse (RN) credential can be achieved through multiple education routes.

**OPTION 1**
After high school, move straight into a postsecondary RN program

**OPTION 2**
Start with LPN credential earned during or after high school

**OPTION 3**
Start with a CNA credential earned during or after high school, but move straight to pursuing an RN without first including earning an LPN

**OPTION 4**
Start with a CNA credential earned during or after high school, but move straight to pursuing an RN without first including earning an LPN

**REGISTERED NURSE (RN)**
Role can be achieved with an Associate of Science (AS) or Bachelor’s of Science in Nursing (BSN)

**LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE (LPN)**

**CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT (CNA)**

**MASTER’S OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (MSN) AND ABOVE**
Role can be achieved with an Associate of Science (AS) or Bachelor’s of Science in Nursing (BSN)