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Phillips Beth Israel School of Nursing Grads Ace NY State RN Exam

98 percent pass rate on first try tops all nursing schools in NYC metro area and surpasses state and national averages

January 23, 2012 -- The official 2011 report from NY State's National Council Licensure Examination – NCLEX-RN -- is out.

“Our 2011 graduates’ performance was outstanding!” proudly announced Janet Mackin, RN, EdD, Dean, Phillips Beth Israel School of Nursing.

Phillips Beth Israel, which awards associate degrees in nursing, had the highest pass rate of all schools, both those offering associate and baccalaureate degree programs in the New York City metro area.

The report shows that 81 of 82 members of the class of 2011 passed the test on the first try, which translates to a 98 percent pass rate for the entire class or 99 percent for all who took the exam. The average for New York State is 84 percent; the national pass rate average on first attempt is 88 percent.

“We credit this stellar pass rate to the outstanding job that our faculty do each and everyday and to some recent innovative changes we have made to the curriculum and student support activities that help prepare our students for entry into nursing,” said Dr. Mackin. She also recognized the assistance of Susan Brillhart, an amazing nurse educator, who taught the Kaplan prep course.

Phillips Beth Israel School of Nursing was founded in 1904 and is widely recognized for its rigorous program. The curriculum prepares the graduate for the challenges of practice as an RN. Graduates of the school have gone on to become not only outstanding nurses but many have become leaders in nursing and healthcare.

Located at 776 Sixth Avenue in Mid-Manhattan, the Phillips Beth Israel School of Nursing offers day, evening and weekend programs. More information about the school is available at www.futurenursebi.org