



**Welcome!**

## **You are a new Educational Partner of the Westberg Institute for Faith Community Nursing!**

We are excited to add you as a Foundations of Faith Community Nursing (FCN) Educational Partner and appreciate your commitment to advancing the specialty of faith community nursing. This guide provides the essential steps, expectations, and resources you will need to begin successfully.

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### **Curriculum Requirements**

All Educational Partners must use the **2024 Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Curriculum**.

#### **Course Hours**

The Foundations of Faith Community Nursing course requires a **minimum of 36.5 instructional hours**.

#### **Teaching Requirements**

- **All curriculum content must be taught.** Content may not be omitted.
- **Additional content may be added** at the discretion of the Educational Partner.
- **Episodic contact hours may be obtained** through any approved organization.
- **The right to Enduring contact hours is reserved by the SCA Nursing Division Provider Unit.**
- Educational Partners may also apply for CNE through the **SCA Nursing Division Provider Unit.**
- **Offering contact hours is optional** for this course.

#### **Current Position Statements**

Current faith community nursing position statements are available on the Westberg Institute website at <https://www.westberginstitute.org/>.

#### **Important Notes**

- Electronic and printed Instructor and Participant Manuals are **protected by copyright and may not be reproduced.**
- All Foundations Courses must be **posted on the Events page** located at <https://www.westberginstitute.org/event.html>.

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### **Curriculum Assumptions**

The curriculum is developed from a **Judeo-Christian theological framework** while remaining **applicable, respectful, and inclusive of diverse ethnicities, lifestyles, and faith traditions**. It is designed to support:

- Multiple perspectives of thinking and knowing, including the nursing process—assessment, diagnosis, planning, implementation, and evaluation—integrated with theological reflection.
- Preparation of nurses for **leadership roles** within a collaborative health ministry.
- The development and sustainability of a **faith community nursing practice**.
- **Interprofessional collaboration.**
- Instruction at a **baccalaureate level**.
- Delivery through **continuing education** or for **academic credit** at the baccalaureate or graduate level.

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## Lead Educator Qualifications

Lead Educators must have:

- A **BSN**
- A **master's degree** in any field
- Completion of the **Foundations of Faith Community Nursing course**
- Experience in **Faith Community Nursing**

The curriculum aligns with the **3rd Edition** of the *Faith Community Nursing Scope and Standards of Practice*. (Note: the **4th Edition** was published in 2025.)

## Digital Resources

Digital resources are now incorporated throughout the modules and include resource links, PowerPoint slide templates, and presentation outlines. These are available in the **Educators Group** on the **FCN Knowledge Sharing Platform**.

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## First Step: Join the FCN Knowledge Sharing Platform

All Lead Educators are required to join the **FCN Knowledge Sharing Platform** on the Westberg Institute website.

### How to Join

1. Visit [www.westberginstitute.org](http://www.westberginstitute.org)
2. Select the **Community** tab
3. Click **Join our Community** (or sign in if you already have an account)
4. Once logged in, select the **Groups** tab
5. Join three groups: **Educator**, **Online Educator**, and **Announcements**

### Remember

- You must **sign the contract** and **submit payment** to the New York office *before* gaining access to the Educator Store.
- Only **Lead Educators** receive an educator code and access to the Educator Store.
- Anyone authorized to place orders must also join the platform.

### Accessing the Educator Store

Using the same login:

1. Go to [www.westberginstitute.org](http://www.westberginstitute.org)
2. Select the **Online Store** tab
3. Click the **Westberg for Educators** button

### For Changes or Updates

- Information Update Form at <https://form.jotform.com/210486264318052> must be completed.

### For Additional Educators or Faculty

- Email [admin@westberginstitute.org](mailto:admin@westberginstitute.org) with the names of additional educators who need access.

All resource updates and announcements are posted in the **Educator Group** on the FCN Knowledge Sharing Platform.

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## Instructor Manual – 2024 Edition

### Free Printed Copy for New Partners

One complimentary printed Instructor Manual is mailed after completing the form at <https://form.jotform.com/242914660601048>. Additional copies may be purchased as needed.

### Downloading the Instructor Manual (eBook)

1. Go to [www.westberginstitute.org](http://www.westberginstitute.org)
2. Click **Store**
3. Select **Westberg for Educators**
4. Sign in with your FCN Knowledge Sharing Platform credentials
5. Click the **2024 Instructor Manual Download** link
6. Enter the Educator Code: **SCA-InstructorManualeBook-2024**
7. Download the manual
8. Scroll to the bottom of the page and click **Next** to access additional resources
9. Save all files

PDFs of individual Instructor modules are available upon request to share with guest speakers only.

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## Participant Manuals

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One complimentary printed Participant Manual is mailed after completing the form at <https://form.jotform.com/242914660601048>. Additional copies may be purchased as needed.

Participant Manuals (eBook and printed formats) are available in two locations:

#### **Educator Store – for Educators purchasing Manuals for Students**

<https://www.westberginstitute.org/online-store-for-educators>

#### **Public Store – for Students purchasing their own Manuals**

Go to: [www.westberginstitute.org](http://www.westberginstitute.org) → Online Store → Westberg Institute

or go directly to: <https://www.westberginstitute.org/online-store-public.html>

PDFs of individual Participant modules can be uploaded to Learning Management Systems (Canvas, Blackboard, Moodle, etc.) but **cannot** be shared with participants.

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## Educator Training Webinar

The **Educational Partner Lead Educator 2024 Educator Update** is available at <https://youtu.be/ziIzf5Fq03w>.

This interactive webinar prepares new and experienced Educators to plan, market, conduct, and evaluate their course offerings in accordance with best-practice standards.

The cost of attending this course is **included** in the purchase price of the 2024 curriculum.

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## Quarterly Educator Zoom Meetings

Quarterly meetings are held for Educators. Invitations are posted in the **Educator Group** on the FCN Knowledge Sharing Platform. Co-chairs are:

- Sondra Weinzierl – [sondra@fenntc.org](mailto:sondra@fenntc.org)
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