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IGNOU Launches Certificate Programme for Nurse Managers to Strengthen Managerial Competencies in Nursing Services

The Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU), through its School of Health Sciences (SOHS), has launched a **Certificate Programme for Nurse Managers** under the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode. This programme is specifically designed to equip in-service nurses with essential managerial competencies required in today's dynamic and demanding healthcare settings.

The job role of "Nurse Manager" has been approved by the **National Council for Vocational Education and Training (NCVET)** and assigned the **National Qualification Register (NQR) Code QG-5.5-HE-03258-2024-V1-IGNOU**. Details of the Qualification Pack are available at [NQR Portal](#).

The six-month programme will help participants:

- Apply modern management principles in nursing service administration.
- Collaborate with ancillary departments for seamless hospital/clinical operations.
- Plan and supervise staff recruitment, training, and development.
- Manage resources efficiently within departments.
- Participate in accreditation, quality assurance, patient safety, and nursing audits.

As hospitals and healthcare institutions increasingly focus on **nursing excellence standards and quality benchmarks** such as NABH accreditation, the role of Nurse Managers has expanded to include strategic planning, decision-making, and quality governance. This certification addresses these evolving needs by building capacity among nurse leaders across public and private health systems.

Eligibility Criteria:

- In-service nurses with 3-year General Nursing and Midwifery (GNM) after 10+2, 3 years of experience, and valid RNRM registration
- OR**
- In-service nurses with 4-year B.Sc. Nursing degree, 2 years of experience, and valid RNRM registration

Duration: 6 months

Medium of Instruction: English

Programme Fee: ₹8,000 plus registration/development charges as applicable

Seat Capacity per LSC: 50 (admissions through merit if applications exceed available seats)

The programme is ideal for working professionals in hospitals, public health units, and nursing educational institutions who seek to move into managerial roles or enhance their current capabilities.

For details and registration:

Visit: [IGNOU Programme Page](#)

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