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## Press Release

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### **LCC TARGETED FOR \$190,000 IN FEDERAL WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT (WIA) FUNDING**

#### *Monies to fund civilian paramedic certification for military trained medics*

LANSING ó Lansing Community College has been designated a recipient of \$190,000 in Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funding to implement a program that will transition military trained medics to civilian paramedic certification and to enroll medics into one-year Fast Track nursing programs to produce licensed and certified Registered Nurses. The funds are part of the FY 2009 Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriation.

The program will help military veterans transition into civilian jobs based on their training and skills. It will also help address Michigan's high unemployment rate as well as assisting in meeting local, state and national nursing shortages. The first class of these students to receive certification will serve as a model for an ongoing Military Metric to Nurse Program.

“LCC has extensive experience in Distance Learning, geographically distributed campuses, flex scheduling and partnerships with medical, educational and military institutions,” said Dennis Morse, Interim Dean, LCC Human, Health & Public Services. “This positions us to expand the model to smaller and regional hospitals, active military and reserve base communities, and under-served communities with the greatest need, high unemployment, or both. It's a very positive effort that can have very positive results.”



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Lansing Community College is Michigan's third largest community college with more than 32,000 students attending each year. The College has more than 240 degree and certificate programs. LCC offers courses in *general education* for those interested in transferring to a four-year institution, *career and workforce development*, *developmental education* and *personal enrichment*. To meet the professional development and training needs of regional employees, the college offers customized programs for credit, non-credit and continuing education. The University Center at LCC offers students the opportunity to earn bachelor's and master's degrees from six partner universities on the downtown LCC campus. For more information, visit [www.lcc.edu](http://www.lcc.edu).