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16-064 APPLY TO THE STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR

APPROVAL OF THE LESS THAN ONE-YEAR CERTIFICATE IN HEALTHCARE CAREERS FOR

PORTLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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REPORT: The proposed Less Than One-Year Certificate in

Healthcare Careers is for individuals whose career goal is to find employment in the healthcare field. The purpose of the 14-credit certificate is to help students explore the choices within the healthcare industry and to prepare them for entry-level work. The certificate requires

courses in first aid, CPR, medical terminology, electronic health records, health law, and ethics as well as a three-

credit course exploring healthcare careers. At the

completion of the certificate students will be well informed about specializations within the healthcare industry and

better prepared for entry-level employment.

RECOMMENDATION: That the College be authorized to submit an application

to the Oregon State Board of Education for the Less Than One-Year Certificate in Healthcare Careers for

Portland Community College.