



Virtual-ATI® Terms

Virtual-ATI® is an online NCLEX® review for graduates of nursing programs. It is a resource that provides individualized guidance and assignments in preparation for the NCLEX.

The ATI client account manager (CAM) activates graduates into the Virtual-ATI enrollment process. Upon activation, graduates receive an email with information about Virtual-ATI and directions to complete an initial survey. The morning after the graduate completes the survey (Monday through Friday, excluding major holiday breaks), automatic enrollment into a Virtual-ATI classroom will occur and begin the 12-week access. Enrollment into Virtual-ATI occurs within 30 days prior to graduation. Graduates receive an email notifying them when their 12-week access has begun. If a graduate begins Virtual-ATI but needs to be inactivated for extenuating circumstances and reactivated at a later date, Virtual-ATI must be notified at vatiadmin@atitesting.com within 10 days of enrollment to avoid a reactivation fee.

An ATI Educator will be assigned to work with graduates, providing online assessments and individualized guidance and assignments to help prepare for the NCLEX. ATI Capstone and Virtual-ATI products are supplemental online practice resources for schools to use in providing support resources for their students. These products are not to be used in a high-stakes manner, as a standalone course, or as a significant portion of a course outcome. NCLEX Services products are not accredited programs and should not be the sole component of a curriculum or course. The Virtual-ATI Green Light should not be tied to, or the determining factor for, any type of school requirement (graduation, course completion, BON paperwork submission) and is only a recommendation of when a graduate appears to be ready to test for the NCLEX.

The Virtual-ATI Green Light recommendation is based on a variety of factors. When anomalies* are noted with an individual's Virtual-ATI assessments results, the Green Light may be difficult to determine for that graduate. In cases where a Virtual-ATI Green Light cannot be determined, a 100% Completion Stage can still be earned and will be the highest level that graduate can achieve. In these cases, a 100% Completion Stage indicates that the graduate has taken all of the Virtual-ATI assessments and completed suggested individualized assignments, but has not met the Green Light criteria.

If a graduate receives the Virtual-ATI Green Light, tests for NCLEX within 3 weeks, and fails the NCLEX, an additional 12-week access is available from ATI at no additional fee, provided that ATI is notified of the failed attempt by the nursing program within 3 weeks of the graduate receiving the score.

Virtual-ATI resources are available for up to 12 weeks or until the graduate passes the NCLEX. Access to the Virtual-ATI Educator and NCLEX review expires after 12 weeks. At the end of the 12-week access, a post-review study guide is available for download and provides the graduate with approximately 40 hours of NCLEX review resources to be used independently until the NCLEX date. If a graduate is interested in accessing Virtual-ATI for an additional 12-week period, their account can be reactivated for a discounted rate.

**Anomalies may include, but are not limited to: numerous assessment retakes, multiple exits and re-entries into the same assessment attempt, group/cohort assessment taking, taking ATI assessments not directed by the educator, irregular or unexpectedly high total scores based on known characteristics of Virtual-ATI assessment samples (e.g., standard deviation), assessment times significantly above or below normal standard deviation times, and significant inconsistencies with content scores.*

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