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In Muta’s own words... This program was not easy, but with the help, motivation, and encouragement from my instructors and principal, I had the confidence to pass the National Council Licensure Examination of NJ (NCLEX) or as the students refer to it as “the Boards”. Since my graduation, I have worked as a charge nurse with spinal cord and brain injury clients. For the past two years, I have been employed at Derm One as a clinical nurse. I get the opportunity to work side by side with the doctors, physician’s assistant, nurse practitioners and surgeons. Recently, I joined the Mohs team.

At Derm One, our job is dermatology destructing all types of skin cancers and providing treatment regimens. I thought dermatology was going to be a short term job for me as I had no interest in it. However, my experience at Derm One has been amazing and I am ready to explore more. My instructor and principal are readily available when I need that pep talk. My nurse practitioner is always complimenting, encouraging, and motivating me. With this much support and so many people in my corner, how can I not succeed?

What kind of employee is Muta? While caring is an integral component of nursing, Muta has a strong commitment to learning and is quite competent. She is always trusted to do the right thing. Muta is very compassionate and a fine advocate for patients. Nursing requires a lot of self-awareness. It is not just a job. It is about who you are as a person and how you relate to other people. Muta offers unmatched compassion, competency and a commitment to care not just to the patients but everyone she comes in contact with. Nursing is proud to have Muta, stated Eleanor Dominguez-Curatolo, FNP-BC

The accolades continue with a comment from Jo Ann Price, Principal of the Practical Nursing Program at OCVTS. “Mutahannah Broomes was a delight to have as a student in our program. Her drive and commitment to succeeding in our comprehensive, accelerated program was incredible. Muta was a true team player and had exceptional leadership skills. Academically and clinically, Muta excelled. I am delighted that Muta is pursuing her professional RN licensure!

Muta added, “This may be an old cliché, but “never give up on your dreams”. Nothing will come easy, but hard work always pays off. Surround yourself with a positive support team and you will open your future up to endless possibilities. My future goal is to eventually work in the prosecutor’s office as a forensic nurse.”