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Nursing Assistant Training (CNA) Program 2023-2024

Course Content:

South Florida Healthcare Institute Nursing Assistant Training program is taught by credentialed nursing instructors with professional experience. Our Nurse Assistant Training program delivers an engaging curriculum that meets state and federal education regulations. Theory and skills practice, including a clinical experience at a skilled nursing facility, is conducted under nursing supervision. The course content focuses on critical thinking, decision-making and team concepts while incorporating elements of care and communication/interpersonal skills. Nursing Assistants work in a variety of patient-care settings, such as nursing homes, long-term care facilities, acute rehabilitations, the hospital, and more, under the direction of a nurse. Duties include taking vital signs and assisting patients with basic tasks.

Our Nursing Assistant Training program is completed via blended Learning (digital + classroom): The dynamic content, with movie-quality videos, expert segments and story-based interactive sections, is a refreshing alternative to “read-test-repeat” online theory formats. [Preview](#) the Blended Learning video content.

Students can generally expect to complete their training and be ready to take their state certification exam to become a licensed or certified nurse assistant (CNA) within 4 to 8 weeks of beginning their training.

A certificate is issued at the successful completion of the program in accordance with Florida guidelines. Graduates are eligible to take the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) certification examination. The Florida Department of Health/Board of Nursing will issue a license, to those who pass the examination.

Program Length:

120 hours

(4 weeks full-time)

Program Offered:

Rolling admission - Monthly

Delivery Method:

Blended Learning - Theory portion is completed online, Lab and Clinicals are completed in person.

Days & Times:

Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m - Lab

Monday - Friday 7:00 a.m - 3:00 p.m. - Clinical

Additional Skills Covered:

- Communication Skills & Challenges
- End-of-Life Care
- Ethical & Legal Issues
- Human Needs and Development
- Infection Prevention & Control
- Nursing Assistant Role & Employability Skills
- Nutrition
- Personal Patient/Environment Care
- Rehabilitative & Restorative Care
- Safety & Body Mechanics
- The Body Systems
- Vital Signs

Admission Requirements:

- Complete a Nursing Assistant Training Program Orientation
- Meet with Program Director/Advisor



Nursing Assistant Training Program - Fees

Registration Fee (Nonrefundable) - \$450

Nursing Assistant eBook and online program - Included in Tuition

One Set of Uniforms - Included in Tuition

Student Liability Insurance - Included in Tuition

Florida State Background Check Fee - \$75 approx. - student responsibility

Florida State Licensure Examination Fee - Included in Tuition

Basic Life Support (BLS/CPR) Certification - Included in Tuition

Supplies (Blood Pressure Cuff and Stethoscope) - Included in Tuition

Total Program Cost: \$1,750

Students enrolling in any Health Science Education program must undergo a Level II criminal background check and drug screening, per The Joint Commission.

Health & Other Requirements:

- Physical exam
- Tuberculin (PPD) or Chest X-ray
- Drug Testing - by Authorized Lab Only
- Level 2 Background Check (Approved Vendor Only)

Immunizations:

- Influenza Vaccine (Flu Shot) - During flu season
- MMR Vaccine Series (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) (X2) or Titer
- Hepatitis B Vaccine Series (X3) or Titer or Authorized Declination Form
- Varicella Vaccine (X2) or Titer

Uniforms: South Florida Healthcare Institute uniforms are provided to each student upon enrollment.

- All White Leather Shoes – closed front and back
- White fleece Jacket or Lab Jacket
- White Socks (above ankle) or White Hose

Industry Certification & State Credential Exams: Students will be prepared to take an approved state and/or nationally recognized industry certification or licensure exam in their field of study. Exam costs are included with your tuition. You will work with your Program Director towards the end of your program, to sign up for this exam.

Books / Supplies: Each student will receive Hartman's Nursing Assistant Care: The Basics, 5th Edition textbook and workbook upon enrollment. You will also receive a manual blood pressure and stethoscope set to use during lab, and clinicals.

Get Started Today! Your Action Steps:

- Step 1: Attend a Program Specific Orientation
- Step 2: Reply to Follow-up E-mail
- Step 3: Secure Funding Source
- Step 4: Apply for Admission and Sign Enrollment Agreement

Possible Job Titles

- Home Health Aide
- Nursing Assistant
- Patient Care Assistant

*For more information contact the Program Director for the Nursing Assistant Training program:
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