

NURSE AIDE, Certificate – Noncredit

Workforce Development and Continuing Education/Healthcare Education

This program is designed to develop sensitivity and competence in the basic tasks required to care for patients or residents in a variety of healthcare facilities. Its purpose is to provide the student with a basic level of knowledge and skills needed to care for patients, residents, or clients as set forth by the profession of nursing and regulated by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. The program is offered throughout the state of Pennsylvania at numerous training locations and clinical settings. The following requirements must be completed (at the student's expense) prior to the start of class: a physical examination, flu immunization if enrolled in a class between the months of October through March, 2-Step PPD, PA State Police Criminal Background Check and an FBI Check if the student has not resided Pennsylvania for the past two consecutive years or has been convicted of an offense outside of PA. The student should consider these factors prior to enrolling. Any questions regarding this information may be directed to the Workforce Development/Healthcare Education office at (717) 221-1352.

Selective Program

Specific admission criteria must be met prior to start of the program. Call (717) 221-1352 or email natp@hacc.edu for specific program entry requirements.

Career Opportunities

This program prepares individuals for employment as Nurse Aides in long term care facilities, hospitals, rehabilitation centers and other healthcare facilities.

Competency Profile

This curriculum is designed to prepare students to:

- Take the PA State Certification Exam for Nurse Aides.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Long-Term Care and the Nursing Assistant's Role
Foundations of Resident Care
Understanding Your Residents
Body Systems and Related Conditions
Confusion, Dementia, and Alzheimer's disease
Personal Care Skills
Basic Nursing Skills
Nutrition and Hydration
Rehabilitation and Restorative Care
Caring for Yourself

RECOMMENDED SEQUENCE FOR STUDENTS

Students must successfully complete the entire 120-hour class.