

CAREER PATHWAY FOR EMPLOYMENT IN THE HEALTH CARE SETTING

This pathway leads you through three courses: Nurse Aide I, Nurse Aide II, and Phlebotomy, to better equip you with the necessary skills needed for employment in a health care setting.

Courses Required

Nurse Aide I

This course prepares the student to provide personal care and perform basic nursing skills for the elderly and other adults. Emphasis is placed upon the aging process. Topics that are covered include safety, restorative care, personal and functional diseases/disorders, communication, patient's rights, nutrition management and elimination. In addition, CPR instruction, competency and certification are part of the course curriculum. Each student is required to participate in classroom/lab and clinical components for successful completion of the course.

Nurse Aide II

This two-part course prepares the student to perform more complex nurse aide skills for patients/residents regardless of the setting. Emphasis is on infection control, oropharyngeal suctioning, established tracheostomy care, observation and maintenance of oxygen therapy, nutritional needs, wound care, and urinary and bowel elimination. In addition, CPR instruction, competency and certification are also included in the course. Each student is required to participate in classroom/lab and clinical components for successful completion of this course.

Phlebotomy

This two-part course educates and prepares the student to satisfactorily perform venipuncture and capillary collection in a health care facility. Topics covered in the course curriculum include all aspects of blood drawing, handling and transfer, in addition to other laboratory procedures, equipment and maintenance, record keeping, and interpersonal communication skills.

Admission Requirements

Nurse Aide I

- There are no admission requirements for this course.
- Students under 18 year of age must complete a minor permission form.

Nurse Aide II

- Proof of completion of a minimum 75-hour, state approved Nurse Aide I course
- High School Diploma/GED

Phlebotomy

- 18 years of age
- High school diploma/GED