

## About Certified Nursing Assistants...

In today's hospitals and extended care facilities a Certified Nursing Assistant, CNA, is an important



part of a healthcare team. The need for dependable bedside nursing care is as prevalent as ever, ranging from hospitals, to home health agencies, to long-term care facilities. Wherever there is a need for personal care, Certified Nursing Assistants respond to the call.



CNA's work under the direction of a nurse. Since nurses cannot spend large amounts of time in the room with the patient, CNA's function as the nurses' "eyes and ears". CNA's

provide hands on care to those who are unable to care for themselves. This includes bathing, dressing, feeding and toileting patients. Additional, responsibilities include answering patients' call bells, taking vital signs, making beds, escorting patients, keeping patients' rooms neat, setting up equipment, and storing/moving supplies.

CNA's ensure the safety and comfort of patients entrusted to their care as well as reporting changes in patients' physical or mental status. CNA's can be found working with the elderly or with children and every age in between!

## CNA Training at Wright College

Graduates of Wright College Certified Nursing Assistant program possess the skills necessary to objectively observe, document and report pertinent information to other health care team members, providing patient care, comfort and safety.

Working under the direct supervision of a licensed nurse in medical or rehabilitation facilities or home health care, certified nursing assistant graduates are prepared for several career paths, including CNA, home health aide, Practical or Registered Nursing.



## Career Outlook

According to the US Department of Labor the demand for CNA's is expected to be the one of the fastest growing occupations in the US over the next ten years.



## Course Schedule

The Wright College CNA program is 10 - 14 weeks in duration. Classes are offered days, afternoons evenings and weekends. (Course offerings are based on enrollment.)



Classes are offered 3 times a year and begin in January, June, and September.

## Entrance Requirements

To be considered for admission to the Wright College CNA program students must:

- Be at least 16 years of age
- Have a valid Social Security card
- Show eligibility for Reading 125 or higher on a qualifying exam OR have passed college level English with a grade of "C" or better
- Have verbal and written English communication skills
- Provide documentation of immunizations
- Consent to a non-fingerprint criminal background check
- Be in good physical condition (If you are pregnant or under a doctor's care you must consult with him/her BEFORE registering for this class)
- Register in person

## Tuition and Fees

CNA student expenses include: tuition, fees, books, uniform, state certification exam, immunizations, and a criminal background check. Additionally, all students must purchase a watch (with a second hand) to be used during class and clinical rotations.

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