



## **PROGRAM OUTLINE:**

*Theory Instruction*  
*Job Responsibilities*  
*Communication*  
*Medical terms*  
*Observations*  
*Emergency Care*  
*& Safety*  
*Infection Control*  
*Patient environment*  
*Patient Care*  
*Human Body*  
*Body Mechanics*  
*Nutrition*  
*Special Procedures*

*Clinical Instruction:*  
*Fundamental Skills*  
*Geriatrics*  
*Medical/Surgical*

*Nursing Assistant prepares students for employment at the nursing assistant, aide/orderly level in nursing facilities.*

*Program instruction includes theory and clinical work. All clinical assignments must be completed prior to the end of the program.*

*At the conclusion of the class, each client is eligible to take the State CNA Exam. In addition, each completer will receive certification in the areas of HIV, C.P.R., and Domestic Violence*

*Certification in Home Health Aide is available to any licensed CNA.*

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## ***NURSING ASSISTANT***



*Vocational Job  
Preparatory  
Program*

*Division of  
Career & Adult Education*

*School District of  
DeSoto County  
Arcadia, Florida*





## **Prerequisites...**

An applicant for the Nursing Assistant Program must be free of contagious diseases and be physically able to lift patients.

Academic testing (TABE) and a minimal level of academic performance is suggested prior to completion of the program to assist the student when taking the state licensing exam.

Note: The Nursing Assistant courses, Basic Healthcare Worker and Nurse Aide/Orderly will meet the first prerequisite for the Licensed Practical Nurse program.



## **Instruction.....**

Basic Healthcare Worker, a 90 hour theory class; and Nurse Aide/Orderly a 75 hour course of clinical instruction are required to complete the Nursing Assistant program. Clinical instruction will take place in various nursing facilities. Students are taught to care for patients by assisting in personal care, taking vital signs, making beds, ambulating patients, and assisting in minor treatment under the supervision of a registered nurse.

Applicants are eligible for EKG Aide training after successful completion of the Basic Healthcare Worker course. With a valid CNA state license, an applicant is eligible to enroll in a Home Health Aide training program. Upon completion of this training, the applicant is qualified to work in the area of Home Health.



## **Employment Opportunities....**

Nursing Assistants work in hospitals, nursing homes, rehabilitation centers, doctor's offices, and other facilities that offer health related services.

The employment outlook for Certified Nursing Assistants is excellent.

Employment opportunities are expected to continue to rise much faster than the average for all occupations in health careers.