MassBay Community College's Nurse Assistant Certificate Program Overview and Requirements

Program Description: Nursing assistants are vital members of the healthcare team, performing hands-on resident/client care and routine tasks for individuals of various ages and health conditions. MassBay Community College's 81.5 –hour certificate training program (including 37.5 clinical hours at a long-term care facility) provides basic skills training, including the fundamentals of how to check and monitor vital signs and deal with a wide range of patient and resident's needs and will prepare students for an entry level career in health care as a Nurse Assistant. Successful completion of the course prepares students to take the Red Cross Nurse Aide Competency Evaluation (NACE) Test. Students in the program will learn how to perform routine healthcare tasks for today's increasingly diverse population. The courses will include the roles and responsibilities of the Nurse Assistant, understanding the elderly, safety, food service, personal care, elimination, restorative nursing, use of assistive devices, hygiene and infection control, and work ethics of a professional member of the nursing and health team. The program is approved by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Program Costs

Tuition: \$ 950 (Due at time of registration) Clinical Uniform, patch and name tag (\$50); Watch (with a sweep-second hand) (\$31);

Stethoscope (\$22)

Required Textbook: The Nursing Assistant: Acute, Subacute, and Long-term Care / Edition 5
By JoLynn Pulliam (\$50)

Class and Clinical Dates:

Week 1

Saturday, November 2 - 8:00am-4:30pm Sunday, November 3 - 8:00am-4:30pm

Week 2

Friday, November 8 – 5:30pm – 9:30pm Saturday, November 9 - 8:00am-4:30pm Sunday, November 10 - 8:00am-4:30pm

Week 3

Friday, November 15 – 5:30pm-9:30pm Saturday, November 16 – 8:00am-4:30p

Week 4

Friday, November 22 – 5:30pm-9:30pm Saturday, November 23 8:00am-4:30pm Sunday, November 24 8:00am-4:30pm

Week 5

Saturday, November 30 8:00am-4:30pm

Week 6

Friday, December 6 – 5:30pm-9:30pm Saturday, December 7 - 8:00am-4:30pm

Sunday, December 8 - 1st Clinical (8-hour shift; time to be determined)

Week 7

Saturday, December 14 Clinical (8-hour shift; time to be determined) Sunday, December 15 Clinical (8-hour shift; time to be determined)

Week 8

Saturday, December 21 Clinical (8-hour shift; time to be determined) Sunday, December 22 Clinical (8-hour shift; time to be determined)

Upon Successful completion of the program, a certificate will be awarded. Culminates with a Pinning Ceremony.



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