

# Enrolling Now!

## Programs in Healthcare

### Nursing Assistant Certificate

- Are you interested in assisting patients with the activities of daily living?
- Do you like to interact with people?
- Are you interested in caring for patients in hospitals and long-term care facilities?
- Do you have strong sense of compassion and empathy?

If you answered “yes” to these questions, you may want to consider a becoming a certified nursing assistant.

### Career Option...

#### Certified Nursing Assistant

Median Annual Salary: \$24,010

**Recommended Education:** Postsecondary certificate and must pass state competency exam

[www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/nursing-assistants.htm](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/nursing-assistants.htm)

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# Nursing Assistant @ QCC

The Nursing Assistant program prepares a student for a career as a nursing assistant. Certified nursing assistants are important members of the healthcare team as they provide basic care to patients in long term care facilities, acute care, homecare, and residential facilities.

Upon completion of the program, graduates will be able to:

- Understand medical terminology, nutrition, communication skills, basic anatomy, basic motion, infection control, and safety.
- Perform basic patient care, patient care procedures, transferring patients, vital signs, and range of motion exercises.
- Gain knowledge to provide care to those who choose to live in their own homes, long term care facilities, acute care, or in residential facilities.

## Did You Know... ?

- Employment of nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants is expected to grow by 20 percent from 2010 to 2020, faster than the average for all occupations. Because of the growing elderly population, many nursing aides, orderlies, and attendants will be needed in long-term care facilities, such as nursing homes.
- QCC's program provides a great opportunity for students to gain entry-level employment in healthcare, while providing additional foundational skills for today's healthcare field.
- If students complete QCC's Nurse Assistant Certificate, maintain a GPA of 3.0 and meet the admission requirements of a Healthcare program, they will be guaranteed admission on a space available basis.

## Next Steps

Apply for Admission to QCC online, or in person!

- Online: [www.QCC.edu/pages/Enrollment\\_Steps.html](http://www.QCC.edu/pages/Enrollment_Steps.html)
- By Phone: QCC Admissions, 508-854-4262
- In Person on the Main Campus: Admissions, Harrington Learning Center, 670 West Boylston Street, Worcester
- In Person at Workforce Central Career Center, 44 Front Street, 6<sup>th</sup> floor, Worcester

If you have questions about the program, call Admissions at 508-854-4262, or email [MyWay@qcc.mass.edu](mailto:MyWay@qcc.mass.edu).

## Worcester Area Employers

- Community Healthlink
- American Red Cross
- Loving Care Agency, Inc.
- Sandalwood Nursing Home

## Professional Associations

- National Network of Career Nursing Assistants: [cna-network.org/](http://cna-network.org/)
- National Association of Healthcare Assistants: [www.nahccares.org](http://www.nahccares.org)
- Nursing Assistant Resources on the Web: [www.nursingassistants.net](http://www.nursingassistants.net)

## Sources Used

Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, *Occupational Outlook Handbook*, 2012 Edition:

- [www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/nursing-assistants.htm#tab-5](http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/nursing-assistants.htm#tab-5)
- [www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes311014.htm](http://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes311014.htm)

Quinsigamond Community College, Online Course Catalog:

- [www.qcc.edu/files/academics/2013-2014\\_catalog\\_final.pdf](http://www.qcc.edu/files/academics/2013-2014_catalog_final.pdf)

*Quinsigamond Community College is part of the Massachusetts Community Colleges and Workforce Development Transformation Agenda, which brings together Massachusetts' 15 community colleges, the Commonwealth's adult basic education and workforce development systems, career centers and industry stakeholders to change the way education and skills training are delivered and to prepare dislocated and under-skilled workers for the emerging, knowledge-based economy. As part of the initiative, Quinsigamond Community College supports students along efficient career pathways by helping them attain degrees, certificates and industry recognized credentials through accelerated programs linked closely to industry need. The statewide initiative is supported by a \$20 million, three-year grant from the United States Department of Labor, Employment & Training Administration TAACCCT. Grant Agreement #TC-22505-11-60-A-25.*