HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY

Get your foot in the door of the fast-growing industry of health care. Certified nurse aides and home health aides may work in hospitals, long-term care facilities, doctors’ offices, clinics or private homes. They work under the direct supervision of a licensed practical nurse or registered nurse to meet the basic needs of patients. If you are a high school junior or senior, there is no need to wait! Start your career in health care now at Washburn Tech.

Learning at Washburn Tech

This semester-long program is designed for high school students preparing to become a nursing aide, nutrition assistant or looking for home health aide training. The curriculum will introduce you to basic patient care skills, medical terminology and systems of the human body. The 13-credit-hour program will prepare you to become certified as both a nursing aide and home health aide. It also serves as the foundation for more advanced health care programs at Washburn Tech such as practical nursing and surgical technology. Upon completion, you will be eligible to take both the CNA and HHA exams from the Kansas Department of Aging and Disability Services.

Job and Salary Outlook

Employment for nursing aides, orderlies and attendants will grow 18 percent between 2008 and 2018, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. This is largely attributed to the long-term care needs of an aging population. According to the Kansas Department of Labor, the average entry-level salary for a CNA in 2013 is $9.37 an hour or $19,494 annually. The average wage is $10.72 an hour or $22,294 annually. The average entry-level salary for a home health aide is $8.12 an hour or $16,892 annually. The average wage is $9.11 an hour or $18,958 annually.

Entry Requirements

Students are required to meet the minimum score on an assessment test. Tech offers the ACT WorkKeys. A score of 4 in both Reading and Math is required. Other assessments or college coursework can be accepted in place of WorkKeys. Please see a recruiter for details. Students must complete an application as well as submit an official copy of all transcripts and their Social Security card.
Course Descriptions

Health Occupations I: students will demonstrate basic knowledge about various career opportunities in the health care profession and be able to identify the specific roles and responsibilities of the different health care professionals; also demonstrate professional behavior and work ethic appropriate to the health care setting.

Medical Terminology: introduces medical terminology and abbreviations used in a nursing care setting.

Nurse Aide: introduces the student to basic concepts of aging as well as basic nursing skills related to the care of the elderly; student participation and hands-on experience in a clinical setting is an integral part of the course; provides the foundation to advance to other health care courses and programs such as Home Health Aide, Medication Aide, Practical Nurse or Surgical Technician.

Home Health Aide: an extension of the nursing assistant training, this course is a didactic model that addresses the transition of skills from an institutional environment to the home setting; consists of nine modules, 20 hours classroom instruction using state curriculum, lectures, videos and discussion.

OSHA-10: focuses on general safety, workplace safety and first aid.

CHECKLIST

- Meet with recruiter
- *Take ACT WorkKeys
- Submit transcript(s)
- Pay enrollment fee

*some exceptions apply

TOTAL 2015-2016 PROGRAM COSTS (Estimated) – HIGH SCHOOL

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*A list of required tools/books is on a separate sheet of paper and on our website, WashburnTech.edu. Students also will need to purchase supplies such as (but not limited to) pens/pencils, notebooks/paper, three-ring binder, etc. Students may purchase them at the vendor of their choice.