

# Fort Scott Community College

## Requirements

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### Geriatric Certified Nurse Aide (CNA)

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This is a 90-hour, state regulated course that follows federal guidelines. It is divided into two parts; Part 1 is lecture and lab, and Part 2 is lecture and clinical experience. Students enrolled in the CNA course must be at least 16 years of age, and have a negative TB skin test or Chest X-Ray with no active signs or symptoms of TB. Clinical agencies may also require an influenza vaccination during the late fall and winter months.

#### **Required Coursework:**

ALH 1215 Geriatric Aide ..... 5 hours

#### **What is taught in Part I?**

Part I subject content includes: an introduction to residents of a licensed adult care home and their needs, role and responsibilities of the CNA, meeting resident needs in the areas of communication, infection prevention and control, mobility, the resident's personal living space, safety, personal care and grooming, nutrition and fluids, elimination, and measuring and recording vital signs.

The purpose of Part I of the course is to provide trainees with experience in performing basic nursing skills. The majority of supervised clinical experience for a Trainee I takes place in a simulated laboratory setting.

#### **What is taught in Part II?**

Part II subject contents include: the resident's care plan; observing, reporting and documenting; physical changes accompanying aging, sexuality in aging; meeting resident needs for comfort and rest, end-of-life care, restoring nutrition and elimination, maintaining and restoring mobility, demential and problem behaviors; additional resident care procedures; admission, transfer and discharge, first aid in the licensed adult care home, and working as a CNA.

Part II is a combination of didactic/classroom and supervised clinical instruction within the licensed adult care home environment in more advanced nursing skills. Clinical instruction during Part II of the course requires performance of direct care tasks within the licensed adult care home environment.

Trainees are designated as a Nurse Aide Trainee II. They are eligible to provide direct, individual care to residents in a licensed adult care home under the direction of a licensed nurse.

#### **Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation and Criminal Record Checks**

KNAR information must include any record of a state administrative hearing process confirming abuse or neglect of an individual or resident or misappropriation of resident property. Each adult care home must contact the registry prior to hiring a nurse aide. The facility may NOT employ a person with an administrative confirmation on the registry or a court conviction for abuse, neglect, or exploitation of a resident recorded after April 1, 1992.