



Wayne  
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# Home Health Care Aide

## PAY

The median annual wage for home health aides was \$21,920 in May 2015. Most home health aides worked full-time in 2012.

## JOB OUTLOOK

Employment of home health aides is projected to grow 38 percent from 2014 to 2024, much faster than the average for all occupations.

*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Outlook Handbook, 2016-17 Edition, Home Health Aides, on the Internet at <http://www.bls.gov/ooH/healthcare/home-health-aides.htm>*

## ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Home Health Care Technology certificate will prepare students for employment in the home health care industry. Home Health Care Aides (HHA) provide personal and homemaking services to ill, convalescing, elderly, and disabled persons and, if needed, to their families. Graduates will learn to care for clients in a holistic, respectful, and professional manner. Graduates will demonstrate the ability to properly follow directions/care plans, respect client privacy, as well as provide emotional comfort and support to diverse clients and their families. Graduates will be able to assist in client observation, ambulation, transfer, transport, personal grooming and hygiene in a safe and effective manner.



## WHAT DO HOME HEALTH CARE AIDES DO?

Home Health Care Aides help people who are disabled, chronically ill, or cognitively impaired. They often help older adults who need assistance. In some states, home health care aides may be able to give a client medication or check the client's vital signs under the direction of a nurse or other healthcare practitioner. Home health aides typically help clients in their daily personal tasks, such as bathing or dressing. They provide basic health-related services according to a client's needs, such as checking vital signs or administering prescribed medication at scheduled times.

Other duties may include organizing a client's schedule and planning appointments, and arranging transportation to doctors' offices or for other kinds of outings. They may shop for groceries and prepare meals to a client's dietary specifications, while providing companionship to the client.

## WHERE DO THEY WORK?

Home health aides held about 913,500 jobs in 2014. Home Health Aides may provide services in a variety of environments including rehabilitation centers, long term care centers and hospice; however, most assignments are usually in the patients' home.

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## Recommended Sequence of Courses

### Home Health Care Aide: Short-Term Certificate

CR. No.	COURSE TITLE	CREDITS
<b>SEMESTER 1</b>		
ALH 110	Medical Terminology . . . . .	3
ALH 230	Medical Ethics . . . . .	3
SOC 100	Introduction to Sociology . . . . .	3
<b>SEMESTER TOTAL . . . . .</b>		<b>9</b>

### **SEMESTER 2**

EMT 101	First Aid . . . . .	2
HHA 200	Home Health Aide Skills . . . . .	4
PSY 101	Introductory Psychology . . . . .	3
<b>SEMESTER TOTAL . . . . .</b>		<b>9</b>
<b>CERTIFICATE TOTAL . . . . .</b>		<b>18</b>

*Note: Certificate total hours may not include prerequisites.*



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