

McLennan Community College

Health & Human Services Continuing Education

Medication Administration

State Approved Training Course

CLASS DESCRIPTION

This 140-hour class will provide the necessary information and skills to prepare the student to become a state-certified medication aide and work in health care facilities, where he/she will assist nurses in providing medications and patient care.

The class will cover basic medication administration concepts, health care team responsibilities in medication administration, legal and ethical aspects, drugs' effects on systems of the body, professionalism, communication skills, anatomy and physiology related to medication administration, safety and infection control, first aid and emergency care, common medication administration problems, special care concerns, and other health care topics.

Medication aides perform under the supervision of a Licensed Vocational Nurse or a Registered Nurse. The Medication Aide Training course is required for anyone wishing to work as a medication aide in a long-term care facility. As soon as possible, following completion of training, the student is scheduled to take the state medication aide examination.



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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS AND/OR PREREQUISITES

- Current CNA certificate
- Able to read, write, speak and understand English
- At least 18 years old
- Free of communicable disease, and in suitable physical and emotional health to safely administer medications
- Provide letter on letterhead from the student's current employer (see Note 2)
- High school diploma or GED
- Immunizations and Texas state background check (see Note 1)
- Drug screen (see Note 2)



CLASS/SECTION NUMBER: NURA 1013

CLASS SCHEDULE: Tuesday & Thursday 5-9 pm

CLASSROOM LOCATION: Room TBA

NOTE 1: Prior to entering any health care class in the Health and Human Services Continuing Education department, all health care students will be required to show proof of immunization against Hepatitis B, varicella, measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria/tetanus, and proof of tuberculosis skin test or chest x-ray. In addition to the immunization requirements, the student must provide results of a drug screen and a criminal background check.

NOTE 2: Student must provide a permission letter on organizational letterhead paper from a nursing home to perform clinical observation at their site.

For additional information, please call 254-299-8888 or email Janie Walker at jwalker@mclennan.edu or Joyce Sims at jsims@mclennan.edu.

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