



Gateway to Certified Nursing Assistant

Career Cluster	Health Science
Course Code	14051
Prerequisite(s)	None
Credit	1.0
Program of Study and Sequence	Cluster course – Gateway to Certified Nursing Assistant – other pathway courses in the Therapeutic Services pathway or capstone experience
Student Organization	Future Health Professionals (HOSA), Skills USA
Coordinating Work-Based Learning	Mentoring, Job Shadowing, Internship, Workplace Tours,
Industry Certifications	Certified Nursing Assistant
Dual Credit or Dual Enrollment	https://sdmylife.com/images/Approved-CTE-Dual-Credit.pdf
Teacher Certification	Health Science Cluster Endorsement; Therapeutic & Support Services Pathway Endorsement; *Health Science Education.
Resources	State and National Future Health Professionals (HOSA) Conference (Competitive Events), State and National Skills USA Conference, Certified Nursing Assistant Candidate Handbook, Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act, South Dakota Board of Nursing, South Dakota Healthcare Association.

Important: In order for students to be able to sit for the CLNA Exam after this course it is highly encouraged that districts and teachers work with their local healthcare industry partners and the SD Board of Nursing to ensure that all criteria for eligibility are met. A licensed nurse will need to be involved in teaching this course in order to assure meeting industry certification requirements.

Course Description

Gateway to Certified Nursing Assistant is designed to empower high school students to take charge of and set a course for their future. It will prepare them to graduate with marketable skills and a real-world work connection. Students will be informed of the roles of the Certified Nursing Assistant focusing on direct patient care. After completing this portion for the Certified Nursing Assistant course, a student would need only to pass the state examinations in order to become a Certified Nursing Assistant. Clinical hours are required to meet certification requirements.

Program of Study Application

Gateway to Certified Nursing Assistant is the first pathway course in the Health Science career cluster, Therapeutic Services pathway. The course would follow participation in one or more cluster courses. Completion of Gateway to Certified Nursing Assistant would prepare a student to participate in further pathway courses in the Therapeutic Services pathway or a capstone experience.

Course Standards

CNA 1: Discuss the Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) certification process and roles of the CNA in the healthcare environment.

<i>Webb Level</i>	<i>Sub-indicator</i>
One Recall	CNA 1.1 Discuss laws and regulations that govern the work and certification of the nurse assistants.
One Recall	CNA 1.2 Identify the job duties and requirements of a nurse assistant.

CNA 2: Identify and implement principles related to infection control and basic safety/emergency situations.

<i>Webb Level</i>	<i>Sub-indicator</i>
Two Skill/Concept	CNA 2.1 Demonstrate Certified Nursing Assistant's role in infection control procedures in reference to Centers for Disease Control, Occupational Safety Health Administration, and National Institute of Health.
Two Skill/Concept	CNA 2.2 Discuss and demonstrate safety/emergency protocols and procedures within the healthcare environment

CNA 3: Measure and record patient/resident's health-related vital data/statistics.

<i>Webb Level</i>	<i>Sub-indicator</i>
Two Skill/Concept	CNA 3.1 Collect and document baseline information, including vital signs, height and weight.
Two Skill/Concept	CNA 3.2 Identify normal ranges for vital signs, and list factors which can affect vital signs.

CNA 4: Understand patient/resident's environment, basic human needs, and the importance of hygiene.

<i>Webb Level</i>	<i>Sub-indicator</i>
Two Skill/Concept	CNA 4.1 Identify the importance of basic physical human needs of the patient/resident.
Two Skill/Concept	CNA 4.2 Identify the importance of the patient/resident's psychosocial needs.

CNA 5: Understand care involving cognitive impairment, mental illness, and death and dying.

<i>Webb Level</i>	<i>Sub-indicator</i>
Two Skill/Concept	CNA 5.1 Identify effective strategies when caring for cognitively altered and mentally ill patients.
Two Skill/Concept	CNA 5.2 Summarize the basic needs and care during patient/resident's death and grieving process.