# Health Care Core as a Pathway to the Nursing Assistant

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# What is the Health Care Core Curriculum (HCCC)?

- A series of entry-level courses
- Basic skills needed for working in ANY healthcare setting
- Competency based
- Can be used as a PATHWAY TO multiple health professions
- APPROVED by the MDH as a pathway to the Nursing Assistant







#### **Healthcare Core Modules**

- Module 1: Awareness and Sensitivity to Client Needs
  - .5 Credit/8 Hours
- Module 2: Behaviors for Success in Healthcare Settings
  - Includes Health Career Exploration
  - .5 Credit/8 Hours
- Module 3: Communications in Healthcare Settings
  - 1 Credit/16 Hours







#### Healthcare Core Modules Continued...

- Module 4: Healthcare Ethics
  - .5 Credit/8 Hours
- Module 5: Healthcare Safety and Standard Precautions
  - .5 Credit/8 Hours
- Module 6: Legal Issues in Healthcare
  - .5 Credit/8 Hours
- Module 7: Respecting Client and Staff Diversity
  - .5 Credit/8 Hours







### HCCC used as a Pathway to the Nursing Assistant

- Minnesota Department of Health has approved the HCCC
  - As a pathway to the Nursing Assistant
  - HCCC + 2 credits Nursing Assistant Skills (lab and clinical)
    - 64 hours with
      - 24 hours clinical
      - 40 hours lab







#### Healthcare Core Modules

- 7 modules or short courses
- Modules can be offered in any order
- Modules are customizable...
- 64 hours total
- Some programs offer the HCCC first, then the Nursing Assistant skills, others intersperse the HCCC lecture and the skills lab







## Who Can Teach the HCCC for Industry Preparation for Nursing Assistant?

- Industry Partners
- For Nursing Assistant: Someone qualified as a trainer have healthcare as a background, at least one year of healthcare experience can teach the HCCC
- Nursing Assistant skills: Must have 1 year of Long Term Care experience (See Minnesota Board of Health Requirements)







#### Two Approved Nursing Assistant Curriculums

- 1. 128 Hour HCCC/Nursing Assistant Course
  - HCCC 64 hours +
     Nursing Skills Lab/Clinical course 64 hours
     (40 hrs lab + 24 hrs clinical)
  - Total: 128 hours

- 2. 75 Hour Minnesota State Curriculum
  - 75 hours total (HCCC not required)
    - 16 hours clinical
    - 59 hours lab/lecture
- HCCC (64 hour course) can be used as a pre-requisite (NOT REQUIRED but great foundation for students) to the "75 hour Minnesota Nursing Assistant"





### Differences of the Two Approved Nursing Assistant Curriculums

- 1. 128 Hour HCCC/Nursing Assistant Course
  - More time for Soft Skills
  - 24 hours clinical
  - 40 hours lab
  - 64 hours lecture

- 2. 75 Hour Minnesota State Curriculum
- Less time to develop Soft Skills
- 16 hours clinical
- 59 hours lab/lecture combined







### Requirements for Programs using the 128 Hour HCCC/NA Course

- 1. The instructors for both the HCCC and the skills MUST complete the "HCCC Educate the Educator" course to use the HCCC as a pathway to the Nursing Assistant
- 2. You are REQUIRED to have the entire 128 hours "pre-approved" by the Minnesota Department of Health PRIOR to beginning the teaching of the HCCC
- 3. You must track ALL 128 hours of participation by the students.
  - If you offer the HCCC online, you are required to have the hours tracked within the Learning Management System you are using





## Requirements for Programs using the 128 Hour HCCC/NA Course

• www.health.state.mn.us/divs/fpc/profinfo/narinfo/hccc033015.pdf









#### Questions Regarding the Healthcare Core Curriculum?

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