



# Certified Nursing Assistant

in Northern New York State

## 01. How do I become a CNA?

To become a CNA, you must attend an approved 100-hour training program and successfully complete all competency examinations.

## 02. Where can I find an education program?

CNA training is available through BOCES, community colleges, various nursing homes and nonprofit community-based organizations.

Visit the NYS Education Department at <http://www.nysed.gov> for more information.

## 03. NYS Certification Requirements

Complete the required 100 hour training program, pass all competency exams and be able to be listed on the New York State Nurse Aide Registry

### What do CNAs do?

Nursing assistants provide basic patient care under the supervision of a registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, or other medical staff.

- Record patient vital signs
- Assist with activities of daily living: bathing, dressing, and feeding
- Serve meals, make beds, tidy up rooms, and other patient assistance

### Where do CNAs work?

Nursing assistants work primarily in institutional settings, such as hospitals, assisted living centers, and nursing homes.

### Are jobs available in Northern NY?

As the country's population ages, demand for healthcare services rises, particularly in long-term care. Between 2016 and 2026, the number of jobs for nursing assistants is projected to increase by 11.5% nationwide and increase by 15.8% in New York.

### How much do CNAs make?

The NYSDOL reports that nursing assistants in New York earned an average annual salary of \$38,810.

(entry level-\$26,980, experienced- \$51,030)

