Medication Administration

11 weeks, 140 hours, $765. Spring Class starts February 14, 2023 – May 4, 2023

This course is designed to prepare nurse aides who are currently employed in health care institutions with skills needed to administer certain medications. Students completing the Medication Administration course may sit for the State of Texas exam. Other expenses include the required textbook, and a combined state application and exam fee of $25.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Minimum age of 18 years old prior to first class day.
- Minimum education of high school diploma or GED. Non-U.S.A. high school graduates must verify high school graduation equivalency with certified documentation.
- Current employment as a Nurse Aide in a facility licensed under Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 242 with active status listing on the Texas Nurse Aide Registry OR current employment as a non-licensed, direct-care staff, plus at least 90 days employment as a non-licensed, direct-care staff in the year proceeding the first-class day at:
  - A facility licensed under Chapter 242
  - A state supported living center
  - An intermediate care facility for person with an intellectual disability

The following do not qualify: Home Health Agency, Hospital, Skilled Nursing Facility Unit in Hospital, Staffing Agency, City-County Jail, and Adult Day Care. If you have any question on your eligibility, please contact the Health and Human Services Medication Administration Office at 512-438-2024.

- Prospective students must NOT be listed as unemployable nor listed with a revoked or suspended status on the Health and Human Services website.

To be turned in with Course Registration Form:

- Copy of birth certificate or Driver’s License
- Copy of high school diploma, transcript or GED
- All applicants for an examination will be required to submit fingerprints and have their criminal history approved by HHSC before being allowed to take the examination. An applicant for an examination is responsible for paying the cost of the fingerprint-based criminal history check. Locations and information about scheduling an appointment for fingerprinting can be found at https://www.dps.texas.gov/administration/crime_records/pages/FASTSubLoc.htm
- Completed registration form, email seschenfelder@kilgore.edu for registration form to be emailed to you.
- A WorkKeys Assessment is required. Students must score 4 or higher on each of the three assessment areas. WorkKeys assessments are given at both the Longview and Kilgore Campuses. To register for the assessment at the Kilgore campus call 903-983-8683 to register by phone for the assessments given on Wednesdays at 9AM. The fee for the assessment test is $50. To register for the assessment at the Longview campus, one must go to the campus located at 300 S. High St. in Longview and bring their Driver's License at least 24 hours in advance. Tests are given on Tuesdays at 2PM and Thursdays at 9AM. To call for more information on the assessments at the Longview campus, call 903-753-2050.

Deadline to apply for the program is January 16, 2023

Post-Acceptance Requirement:

- Long Term Care Facility Commitment Form
- Student and Long-Term Care Facility Verification of Qualifications

Deadline to turn in all paperwork is February 2, 2023.

Purchase the required textbook by the first-class day.

Instructor: Robin Lowrie

Location: Canterbury Engineering and Science Building, 800 Ross Ave., Kilgore, Texas Room #237

Schedule: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 8:30AM – 12:30PM