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CNA-Certified Nurse Aide Program

Lecture (64 hours) + Clinical (48 hours) = 112 hours

Textbooks are included with tuition. There will be an **additional fee** of \$125 when registering for the state exam. Students are responsible for purchasing a set of ceil blue scrubs for clinical training. Additional fees may apply. CNA classes may be taken for academic credit or continuing education certification.

Registration Requirements:

- Student must be at least 17 years old
- Driver's license or State issued ID
- Social Security card
- Criminal Background check and Drug Screening
- Proof of immunizations

Students are required to submit to a criminal background check **PRIOR** to the first day of class. A background search through the Texas Department of Public Safety, Texas Nurse Aide Registry and Texas Health and Human Services Employability Misconduct Registry will also be performed. **Any student whose background check is not clear will NOT be allowed to attend classes.**

Students must provide proof of the following immunizations by the 3rd day of class:

- Tetanus/ Diphtheria (Tdap within 10 years)
- Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
- Hepatitis B vaccine
- Varicella (2 doses or titer)
- Bacterial Meningitis (Students under age 22)
- Negative TB skin test/chest x-ray (within the last year)
- Covid (Fully vaccinated) If not fully vaccinated, an exemption form is required. (Covid vaccinations are required by some clinical sites, rules on covid vaccines are subject to change at any time)

Students unable to provide proof of immunization records will not be allowed to attend clinical training and will receive a grade of "NO CREDIT" for the class. Panola College does not provide copies of these records after class completion. Please do NOT give your instructor original documents. Students should provide copies and keep the originals.

ANY pregnant student (no matter what stage of pregnancy) is **required** to submit proof that she is medically cleared to participate in clinical training with **NO restrictions**. If the student is unable to provide medical clearance, the student will not be allowed to complete the program.

NOTE: Students may contact the Department of State Health Services Immunization Branch hotline at 800-252-9152 for assistance with immunization record questions.