

Health Care Assistant Training in Parksville, Cowichan Valley and Kamloops

This program offers health care assistant training for eligible B.C. residents who are unemployed or underemployed and are looking to become health care assistants via the Community Workforce Response Grant.

Those who are eligible will have the opportunity to attend a funded health care assistant (HCA) program and learn the tools needed to successfully enter the workforce as part of the health care team.

Start date: July 22nd (Parksville) and August 10th (Cowichan Valley and Kamloops)

Health care assistant program highlights:

- 480 hours of classroom theory including lab hours
- 240 hours of clinical practice placement in a multi-level or complex care facility
- 60 hours of preceptorship practice placement in a home support and/or assisted living complex
- Successful completion of First Aid and FOODSAFE are both required prior to clinical placements.

*Completing Immunizations on-time prior to clinical placements combined with the ability to pass a criminal record check are both program and employment hiring requirements.

Training is provided by Discovery Community College in association with BC Care Providers Association.

Student characteristics for successful completion:

- Be in good physical health with the ability to work physically hard
- Excellent interpersonal, communication and teamwork skills
- Be able to tolerate strong odors
- Enjoy being with and have a strong sense of compassion for the elderly population
- Be able to give very personal care with high standards of personal and professional integrity
- Be able to maintain the attendance and academic workload required to successfully complete this program

For admissions enquiries, contact Jennyfer Guzman, Admissions Advisor at Discovery Community College, at jennyfer.guzman@jobready.ca.



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