

Certified Nurse Aide – C.N.A.

Certified Nurse Aides, or C.N.A.s, provide basic patient care under the direction of nursing staff. C.N.A.s perform duties such as feed, bathe, dress, groom, and/or move patients, change linens, and transfer/transport patients. Nurse Aides are often employed in nursing care facilities, where they frequently serve as principal caregivers.

Job Tasks

- Answer patient call signals, signal lights, bells, or intercom systems to determine patients' needs.
- Turn or reposition bedridden patients.
- Provide physical support to assist patients to perform daily living activities: getting out of bed, bathing, dressing, using the toilet, standing, walking, exercising.
- Review patients' dietary restrictions, food allergies, and preferences to ensure patient receives appropriate diet.
- Measure and record food/liquid intake or urinary/fecal output, reporting changes to medical or nursing staff.
- Record vital signs, such as temperature, blood pressure, pulse, respiration rate, as directed by medical staff.
- Gather info from caregivers, nurses, physicians about patient condition/treatment plans/ appropriate activities.
- Observe or examine patients to detect symptoms that may require medical attention, such as bruises, open wounds, or blood in urine.
- Document or otherwise report observations of patient behavior, complaints, or physical symptoms to nurses.

Career Outlook

Average Salary	Average Entry- Level Wage		Average Median Wage		Average Experienced Wage	
United States	\$8.80/hr	\$18,300/year	\$11.74/hr	\$24,400/yr	\$16.99/ <u>hr</u>	\$35,300year
Texas	\$8.13/ <u>hr</u>	\$16,900/year	\$10.75/ <u>hr</u>	\$22,400/year	\$14.81/ <u>hr</u>	\$30,800/year

Available Jobs	2012 Job Openings	2022 – Projected Job Openings	Projected Growth 2012-2022	Projected Annual Job Openings
United States	1,479,800	1,792,00	21%	59,360
Texas	94,090	118,710	26%	3,680

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