



# **CNA Certification**

## *For Nursing Students only.*

*All nursing students must be certified as a nursing assistant (CNA) upon entry to the clinical program. Evidence of valid, current South Carolina certification with the State of South Carolina Nurses' Aide Registry must be on file with the Student Success Center. A photocopy of this card along with the student's id number (P#) should be turned in to the Student Success Center. Certification must be valid through the first semester of the student's nursing program.*

**Exceptions** – The only exception will be for current LPNs (Licensed Practical Nurses). A copy of your LPN license must be submitted.

**Opportunities to complete CNA certification at Piedmont Technical College:** PTC offers CNA courses, both as college credit (4 credits) and as continuing education (non-credit). Both options provide classroom and clinical coursework and prepare students to sit for the CNA certification exam. Completion of this course and exam will meet the requirements for Piedmont Technical College's nursing program. Classes are offered at a variety of times and dates each semester, including daytime, evening, and online (with on-site clinical required) options. Students are then encouraged to work as a nursing assistant and gain valuable experience in the nursing field.

### **Anticipated supplies for AHS 117 are:**

**Cost is approximate and subject to change:**

1. Textbook & Workbook: The Nursing Assistant Handbook, Hartman Publishing  
2nd Edition approximate cost: \$36.25
2. Handout packet: \$1.50
3. BP Kit: \$37.50 (regular size) \$52.50 (large)

Approximate cost of supplies is \$83.20 – \$98.20 (plus tax)

**Uniform:** Navy blue scrubs and white nurse's shoes or sneakers are the required uniform. Street hose, navy blue or solid white socks are also required. **No white hose.** A white long sleeve plain shirt can be worn under the uniform or a white warm up jacket can be worn over the uniform for warmth (cost can vary, check with local uniform retailer).

**Other Costs:** The cost of the certification exam is approximately \$95.00. The course requires a criminal background check and drug screening, which cost approximately \$65.

Students with C.N.A. certification from states other than South Carolina may request a reciprocity application from NNAAP by calling 1-800-475-8290