

DIRECT HEALTH CARE (DHC)

Location:

FCAVC, Kendallville, IN

Course Description:

Training in this program prepares students for a career in the health care industry. Direct Health Care is a three-hour, one semester class for students interested in nursing and direct patient/resident care. Upon completion of this one semester course and successfully passing the Indiana State exam, students earn their Certified Nursing Assistants (CNA) certification through the Indiana State Department of Health, Long Term Care CNA curriculum. This curriculum includes a required 30 hours of classroom instruction; demonstration and practice of 48 skills, and 75 hours of clinical work at a long term care facility. Health Care Provider CPR certification and First Aid training are also obtained through this course. Caring for the elderly and debilitated requires patience, compassion and stamina. For young people interested in nursing as a future career, Direct Health Care offers an excellent start.

Program Duration:

This program is one semester (18 weeks) open to juniors and seniors.

Credits:

Students enrolled in Direct Health Care receive credit based upon the type of schedule offered at each school. Students may earn up to 6 hours of dual credit through Ivy Tech Community College.

Enrollment Procedure:

Students must be able to read at a 7th grade level or better according to ISDH standards to be considered for enrollment to this course. An application for enrolling in this course may be obtained by contacting the high school Guidance Counselor. Enrollment is through an application and interview process conducted by the DHC Instructor. After being accepted into the course, students are required to have a limited criminal background check.

Fees:

Contact the Vocational Office for current information.