



NURSE AIDE APPRENTICESHIP GRANT

Western Colorado Community College (WCCC) and Western Colorado Area Health Education Center (WCAHEC) have partnered to provide grant funding for WCCC's Certified Nurse Aide (CNA) class through apprenticeship. If you qualify, WCAHEC would cover the cost of tuition for your course.* There are many benefits to participating in this program outside of funding. WCCC and WCAHEC will assist you with finding employment and provide support services for the 12 months you are participating. You are guaranteed a wage increase within the year and when you complete the apprenticeship, you will receive a nationally recognized certification.

**Ask how we can help cover the cost of background checks and immunizations.*

Program requirements:

- Complete 40 additional education hours (outside of your CNA courses) by the time your CNA course work ends. WCAHEC will provide access to the material for these didactic hours.
- Work as a CNA at an apprenticeship site for 12 months after you complete your CNA course and complete one competency form per month. Currently, WCAHEC is working with over 47 apprenticeship sites/employers in the Mesa County/Delta/Montrose areas that you can be placed with. Sites include employment in home health, assisted living, long-term care, rehab and hospice.

Program qualifications:

- Students must be at least 17 years of age.
- Students must be out of high school. You do not need to have graduated from high school, but you must not be currently attending.
- Students must be committed to year-long employment with an apprenticeship site — this employment may be either part- or full-time.

**To begin the qualification process,
contact Pam Holder at 970.255.2661
or Kelly Reuss at 970.255.2660**

**You must be enrolled under the grant prior to your
first day of class to receive funding.**

