

CNA Course Information

This accelerated CNA course is approximately eight weeks in duration. The course is divided into two consecutive portions: classroom portion & clinical rotations. See "Course Schedule" link for specific information regarding this school year's scheduled courses.

Part 1: Classroom (Theory/Lab)

Location: ILEAS Training Center (1701 E. Main Street, Urbana, IL 61802)

The first portion of the CNA course (approximately six weeks) takes place in a classroom and lab setting. Taught by licensed instructors, students will learn about patient care through lectures, demonstrations, and hands-on practice. **Fingerprinting and background checks are required prior to enrollment.** Students are assigned reading homework daily and must have an average grade of 80% in class to complete the clinical portion of the course.

Part 2: Clinical Rotations

Location: OSF Heart of Mary Medical Center

The last portion of the CNA course takes place in a clinical setting, where students will have the opportunity to put their knowledge into practice. Under the supervision of instructors, students will gain experience by working with actual patients. Students must successfully demonstrate several clinical skills to graduate from the program.

Prior to beginning a clinical rotation, students must show proof of a negative TB screening as well as proof of immunity to MMR, Varicella, and Influenza. Proof of immunizations must be submitted by the due date indicated on the signed immunization contract (given at orientation). Students who do not provide sufficient records will not be able to start clinical rotations.

Our clinical sites require CNA students to submit to a drug screening before starting clinical rotations. Students' test results must be **negative** to continue with the program. **EVEN THOUGH IT IS NOW LEGAL, YOU CANNOT TEST POSITIVE FOR MARIJUANA IF YOU WANT TO COMPLETE THE CLINICAL COURSE. THIS IS A REQUIREMENT OF OUR CLINICAL PARTNER, OSF HEART OF MARY MEDICAL CENTER.** If an additional drug screening is needed for any reason, it will be at the expense of the student. A "10 Panel Rapid" screening tests for the following:

- Amphetamines (Methamphetamine)
- Barbiturates
- Benzodiazepines
- Buprenorphine
- Opioids (Heroin, Oxycodone, Hydrocodone, etc.)
- Propoxyphene
- Tricyclic antidepressants
- Cannabinoids (THC) (marijuana)
- Cocaine
- Methadone
- Methaqualone
- Phencyclidine (PCP)
- Synthetic cannabinoids (K2, Spice)