

Medication Administration

Information Required:

1) Fingerprint-based criminal history check requirement.

- a. Beginning August 1, 2021, all applicants for a Medication Aide examination will be required to submit fingerprints and have their criminal history approved by the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) before being allowed to take the examination. The criminal history check will be FBI-based and include nationwide criminal history information. For information, please click on <https://www.hhs.texas.gov/>.
- b. An applicant for an examination is responsible for paying the cost of the fingerprint-based criminal history check.
- c. A TVCC applicant for an examination must request HHSC to provide a criminal history evaluation letter regarding the person's eligibility. To request a criminal history evaluation letter, contact HHSC: medication_aide_program@hhs.texas.gov. You may also call 512-438-2025. HHSC staff will review the person's criminal history and provide a criminal history evaluation letter regarding the person's eligibility to become a medication aide. **THIS LETTER MUST BE SUBMITTED TO CONTED@TVCC.EDU prior to enrollment.**
- d. *****PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT THE HHSC *Understanding of Required Criminal Background Check* form will be required prior to enrollment.**

2) Required Immunizations: (If you have received these immunizations as a child, contact your high school you last attended, doctor's office, parents, or grandparents to see if they have a proof. If you are unable to find proof of immunizations you may go to your doctor and have a TITER (blood test) to see if you have the antibodies in your system.) Send immunizations to conted@tvcc.edu.

- a. Tetanus/Diphtheria (in the last 10 years)
- b. MMR (Measles, Mumps, & Rubella) – 2 doses
- c. Varicella (Chicken pox shot) – 2 doses
- d. Hepatitis B – have completed the series (3 doses)
- e. TB test or QuantiferON – No older than one year prior to class start date
- f. Flu Shot – current season (2020-2021)

3) Applicants for the state exam must be employed as Certified Nurse Aides listed on the Texas Nurse Aide Registry in active status and currently employed in a facility licensed under Texas Health and Safety Code Chapter 242 on the class start date OR be employed on class start date as non-licensed direct care staff in a facility licensed under Chapter 247 or an ICF-MR facility, State School for the Mentally Retarded AND have 90 days previous employment in the year preceding class start date. For more information click the link: <https://www.tvcc.edu/Continuing-Education/article.aspx?a=5163>

4) Must have a high school diploma or GED. Need a certified copy of high school diploma, transcript or GED.

- 5) Financial Aid: If you choose to use financial aid
- a. FAFSA (2021-2022) - www.FAFSA.gov FAFSA will not cover the cost of this class, but a FAFSA application is required to determine eligibility for TPEG. A TPEG Form is required. TPEG **could** pay up to 50% (not to exceed \$550 and as long as funds are available.) of the tuition. The student is responsible for the remaining balance plus the cost of the books, or supplies. Per TVCC expectation, students are responsible for full tuition. If you are eligible for financial assistance, it will be applied to the student account.
 - i. Books, supplies and testing fee:
 1. Books:
 - a. Administering Medication- \$140*
 2. Supplies:
 - a. Instructor will let you know
 3. Testing fee:
 - a. Included in tuition
- 6) Complete and submit the Registration Form with the class information.

Tuition: (Prices are subject to change.)

Medication Aid - \$832* Per TVCC expectation, students are responsible for full tuition. If you are eligible for financial assistance, it will be applied to the student account.

Tuition and *all* required documents are due at the time of registration. Students are NOT completely enrolled until ALL required documents are received and tuition is paid.

If you need additional help with the cost of tuition, books, supplies, testing fee, immunizations, you can contact Kandi Session-Walker at 800-831-9929 or by email at ksession@csicorsicana.org. She is with an outside resource. She is with Community Services of Corsicana, Inc.

Please click the link below for TVCC Health Occupations 2020-2021 information booklet:

https://www.tvcc.edu/Health-Science-Center/files/HealthSciencesHandbook_2020-21_12-2-2020/HSC_Handbook_20-21_Complete_12-2-2020/index.html

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