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## **Certified Nursing Assistant Courses Now Available at the Switzerland County Technology and Education Center**

Of all the occupations available in the Switzerland County region, jobs in health care are among the most numerous. Health care jobs pay well, and nearly every single health care job requires some level of specialized training.

For residents who are interested in direct patient care, the Certified Nursing Assistant is the first step on the large health care career ladder.

A certified nursing assistant, or CNA, helps patients or clients with healthcare needs under the supervision of a Registered Nurse (RN) or a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). The regular responsibilities of a nursing assistant vary based on where you work. Nursing assistants can work in a wide variety of settings, such as nursing homes, hospitals, adult day care centers, personal homes and assisted living facilities. In many cases, the nursing assistant serves as the RN's or LPN's eyes and ears. Nursing assistants fulfill basic quality-of-life needs for patients, and since nursing assistants have daily contact with patients, they are gatherers of vital information about the patients' conditions for their supervisors.

The Switzerland County Technology and Education Center has partnered with the Tri-State Health Care Training Academy to offer CNA classes at the TEC Center. The three-week course included two weeks of on-site practice at a health care provider and one week of classroom instruction.

The entire cost of the Certified Nursing Assistant course can be paid by the WorkINDiana program for Switzerland County residents who qualify.

Interested residents should contact the Tri-State Health Care Training Academy at

812.571.4079 for information on tuition assistance and a schedule of training courses.