Personal Support Worker Program (Domestic Students)

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ABOUT

Canadian College of Healthcare and Pharmaceutics is Registered as a career college under the Ontario Career Colleges Act, 2005. We offer the Personal Support Worker Program, accredited by the National Association of Career Colleges (NACC). This program is required for personal support worker or similar positions at long-term care facilities, home care services, group homes, hospitals, adult day programs, and educational facilities.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Personal Support Worker (PSW) is a rewarding professional working with elderly or other dependent persons who have difficulties in performing activities of daily living. PSW are hired as permanent full-time, part-time or in flexible contract positions. PSW workers are employed in healthcare centers, hospitals, long-term care facilities, group homes, client homes, and private care facilities. The job includes preparing and serving meals, laundry, light housekeeping, personal care and hygiene, and bedside care.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVE

Upon successful completion, the student will be able to:

- Following the care plan, observing and reporting any substantial findings and/or changes in patient/resident/client's behaviour to the appropriate registered member of the healthcare team.
- Working under the supervision of a Registered Healthcare Professional such as a Registered Nurse (RN) or a Registered Practical Nurse (RPN)
- Performing tasks delegated to them (only if they are trained to perform the delegated task)
- Assisting with ambulation, positioning and transferring using mechanical lifts such as a Hoyer lift.
- Assisting or providing total personal care such as toileting, bathing and perineal care.
- Assisting with eating, dressing and grooming.
- Assisting nursing staff by answering call bells (in hospitals and long-term care homes)
- Performing sitter duty or patient watch for confused patients in clinical care settings.
- Computer or paper documentation of Activities of Daily Living (ADLs) and other findings.
- Reporting behavioural and clinical changes to a Registered Nurse, Registered Practical Nurse, Resource Nurse or Manager.
- Self-actualization by helping patient/resident/client to reach maximum potential.

DURATION

Program duration in hours: **700 hours**
Minimum program duration: **29 weeks**
Maximum program duration: **48 weeks**

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Grade 12 (OSSD) or mature student status. Mature student status means 18 years or older and attaining a minimum passing score of 11 or higher on the Wonderlic SLE (Scholastic Level Exam).
- All foreign credentials must be translated into English and compared for Grade 12 equivalency by a recognized organization (i.e. WES)
- If English is not the First Language, then one of the following:
  - IELTS – Minimum score of 6.0 with no subject test score lower than 5.5; or
  - TOEFL – Overall 80 with the minimum in each component: Reading 20; Listening 20; Speaking 20; Writing 20; or
  - CAEL: Overall 60 No section below 60

COURSE OUTLINE

- The program is 700 hours long with 300 hours of placement.
- PSW Foundations (55 hours)
- Safety and Mobility (40 hours)
- Body Systems (40 hours)
- Assisting with Personal Hygiene (30 hours)
- Abuse and Neglect in Seniors (15 hours)
- Household Management, Nutrition and Hydration (25 hours)
- Care Planning / Restorative Care / Documentation / Working in the Community (30 hours)
- Assisting the Family, Growth and Development (25 hours)
- Assisting the Dying Person (30 hours)
- Assisting with Medications (20 hours)
- Cognitive and Mental Health Issues and Brain Injuries (40 hours)
- Health Conditions (40 hours)
- Gentle Persuasive Approaches in Dementia Care (10 hours)
- Clinical Placement (Facility) (200 hours)
- Clinical Placement (Community) (100 hours)

PRACTICUM REQUIREMENTS

- Medical Screening for Chronic Infection Condition and Physical
- Police Check (Clearance) of Criminal Record

PROGRAM FEE

- Total: **$8,863**
- Fee breakdown
  - Tuition fees: $8,000
  - Books: $450
  - Professional exam fees: $113
  - Uniform: $300

ACCESSIBILITY:

Campus location:
Suite 201, 5481 Dundas St. West,
Toronto, Ontario
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Located near to residential areas and connected to multiple transit systems (e.g. TTC Kipling, MiWay, and GO-Bus, and GO-Train). Free parking and close to highways (401, QEW, and 427).

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