

# Medication Aide Emergency Waiver Training Program Manual

## Manual for Medication Aide Emergency Waiver Training Program Operation

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### **PURPOSE**

This handbook should be as a guide for the program instructor. They shall be qualified as a physician, licensed nurse, pharmacist, respiratory therapist, speech therapist, or certified diabetes educator who may teach within her or his area of expertise or scope of practice. It includes information and resources for maintaining compliance.

We know during this time of emergency you will not have the time to do a complete training of the curriculum required for an approved certified medication aide training program. We are not requiring you to do that. But we are requiring you to make sure your staff has at least a broad knowledge of the basic training of a medication aide. You may also train the medication aide in advanced training if needed. Rules for the Certified Medication Aide are found at **OAC 310:677-13 Certified Medication Aides**.

### **Medication Aide Checklist**

Learning the basic skills for a medication aide is an essential part of the student's curriculum. The skills they learn will enable them to establish themselves in the clinical setting. The instructor must make sure every skill is taught and the student has been found proficient in the skill before the instructor and student date and initial beside the learned skill on the Skills Performance Checklist.

We have also added the Advance Medication Aide Skills for Nasogastric/Gastrostomy; Respiratory/Nebulizers; Glucose Monitoring and Insulin Administration to the checklist if you so desire to train an individual for those skills.

The program is to keep the original SPC and give the student a copy when completed and signed by the instructor (and during the training if needed).

This record serves as the **primary** documentation for the clinical skills and is the fundamental resource that the RN Supervisor uses to ensure that the skill performance has been met for each individual student.

It can be found at this link [Medication Aide Checklist](#).

### **Medication Aide Curriculum**

The basic and advanced medication aide curriculum can be found on the Nurse Aide Registry in [Chapter 677](#).

**It can be found at 310:677-13-4 Curriculum. We know that you will not be able to train on all the information given, but it is there for your guidance if needed.**

### **Medication Aide Medication Pass Work Sheet**

For your convenience you may use the [Medication Aide Med Pass Work Sheet](#) to verify your trainee can pass medications successfully.

## **ALZHEIMER'S TRAINING**

Oklahoma law provides that nurse aide training programs must include ten (10) hours of training in the care of Alzheimer's patients. Please train the ten (10) hrs. Alzheimer's training if you would like your temporary medication aide to test to become a certified medication aide.

**63 O.S. fl 1-1951(A)(3)** *The State Department of Health shall have the power and duty to determine curricula and standards for training and competency programs. The Department shall require such training to include a minimum of ten (10) hours of training in the care of Alzheimer's patients;*

The Code of Federal Regulations at **42 CFR fl 483.152(b)(5)**, requires the curriculum of the nurse aide training program to include under care of cognitively impaired residents:

- (i) Techniques for addressing the unique needs and behaviors of individual with dementia (Alzheimer's and others);*
- (ii) Communicating with cognitively impaired residents;*
- (iii) Understanding the behavior of cognitively impaired residents;*
- (iv) Appropriate responses to the behavior of cognitively impaired residents; and*
- (v) Methods of reducing the effects of cognitive impairments.*

The Oklahoma Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association endorses the Barbara Broyles Alzheimer and Dementia Training Program for Nursing Assistants for nurse aide training programs. This curriculum may be freely adopted and incorporated into your curriculum or you can also be teaching Alzheimer's training during the teaching of the basic skills.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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