



MINNESOTA STATE

Minnesota State Medication Aide Training

Class begins with an in-person orientation session July 15, 2024, 3-5 pm at Rochester Community & Technical College - Heintz Center Rm 1411 1926 Collegeview Rd SE, Rochester, MN.

Students should bring laptop, tablet, or other device they plan on using for the online portion of the course to ensure it meets minimum requirements.

Following the orientation session, this hybrid class will consist of on-line content, Zoom and in-person skills session(s) and testing.

Online/Zoom Class Dates:

- Sun 7/21; 10:00 am-12:00 pm OR Mon 7/22; 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
- Sun 7/28; 10:00 am-12:00 pm OR Mon 7/29; 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
- Sun 8/4; 10:00 am-12:00 pm OR Mon 8/5; 6:30 pm-8:30 pm
- Sun 8/11; 10:00 am-12:00 pm OR Mon 8/12; 6:30 pm-8:30 pm

Required In-Person Skills Sessions:

Wed, 8/21 AND Fri, 8/23, 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm

RCTC – Heintz Center Rm H2303 (must attend BOTH sessions)

Required Final Knowledge and Skills Test (in-person):

Fri, 8/30 – Starting at 12:30 pm – RCTC – Heintz Center Rm 1411

Knowledge Exam: 12:30 pm – All Students

Individual Skill Exams: Starting at 1:00 pm



What is Minnesota State Medication Aide Training?

Minnesota State provides the required training to work as a Medication Aide in a skilled nursing facility. Students will develop an understanding of drug administration with this comprehensive training program. Available in two formats, classroom and hybrid, the Minnesota State curriculum offers consistency and customized training options to meet any needs. A wide variety of exercises and activities let students apply their knowledge to healthcare settings. The class includes a new textbook specifically designed for the medication aide. The training and supplemental resources will also prepare participants for written and skills exams by building knowledge and developing skills competency. This course requires a minimum of forty-eight hours of instruction. This class is a hybrid class which includes both online and in-person course work.

What are the highlights of this training?

- » Consistent curriculum and textbook throughout all Minnesota State ensures consistent training for all employees across Minnesota
- » Textbook is geared specifically for the role of a medication aide and offered at an affordable price for students and facilities
- » Flexible training options, including in-person and hybrid, to meet the scheduling needs of students and facilities
- » Eligible costs of the training may be reimbursable to nursing facilities participating in the Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS) Nursing Facility Employee Scholarship Program

What pre-requisites are there for students?

It is recommended that a person works as a certified nursing assistant for six months before taking this course and be at least 18 years of age. Minnesota law governs the qualifications required to work as a medication aide in a licensed nursing home.

To work as a Medication Aide in a skilled nursing facility, individuals **must have completed a nursing assistant training program** approved by the Minnesota Department of Health **before enrollment in a trained medication aide program**. These individuals are not required to have taken the nursing assistant exam, nor to have ever been on the nursing assistant registry.

A person who challenges the Minnesota nursing assistant exam or transfers in from another state, for example, would not be eligible. It is the responsibility of the facility to document completion of an approved nursing assistant training program.

If you have questions regarding eligibility, please visit the Office of Revisor of Statutes website at revisor.mn.gov/rules/4658.1360.

Are there exams associated with this training?

Chapter exams are administered by the program/instructor. The final exam must be administered in a proctored live format either in an in-person or online environment.

How much time does the class take?

The class will provide over 48 contact hours. Students should expect to complete a minimum of 10 hours each week as indicated on the course schedule. This includes online self-paced work and a required 2-hour Zoom session per week. Zoom sessions are offered weekly on Sunday mornings and Monday evenings.

How much does the training cost?

\$775/person - includes required textbook and skills kit.

Participants are responsible for obtaining or purchasing their own drug reference guide. Davis Drug Guide or Pharm Phlash!: Pharmacology Flash Cards are suggested. Participants may use a drug guide from the last 5-7 years provided by their facility if available.

For more cost information, contact your local Minnesota State Customized Training Representative listed on this flyer.

When is this training offered?

Students can register for open enrollment classes on the rSchoolToday website:

[Professional Healthcare Classes - Minnesota State Colleges and Universities \(rschooltoday.com\)](https://rschooltoday.com)

Minimum enrollments are needed, depending upon the course delivery method.

For customized classes, please see the information that follows.

Can this class be customized to meet the processes of our facility?

Yes, we are happy to work with a facility's team to customize the training. Location, schedule, and delivery mode (hybrid or in-person) can be adjusted to meet the facility's needs. To discuss options and schedule a contract training for your organization, contact your local Minnesota State Customized Training Representative listed below. Pricing may vary from above.

How can I register myself or other people for this class?

Click on the link below to register online with a credit card or purchase order or use the attached registration form:

https://mnscu.rschooltoday.com/public/costoption/class_id/285493

Additional questions? Contact:

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Minnesota State Medication Aide Training-Hybrid-Rochester
Register Online:

https://mnscu.rschooltoday.com/public/costoption/class_id/289293

Registration Form
Summer 2024 – July/Aug Class

Name: _____
Last First M.I.

Social Security Number: _____ ☐ Male ☐ Female Date of Birth: _____
REQUIRED

Home Address: _____ Apt/Unit #: _____ PO Box #: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ Primary Phone: _____
REQUIRED

E-mail Address: _____ **REQUIRED** ☐ Home ☐ Work ☐ Cell

Alternate Phone: _____ ☐ Home ☐ Work ☐ Cell

Payment Due:	<input type="checkbox"/> \$775.00
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Payment Required At Time Of Registration
Does not qualify for financial aid.

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

Payment Information: For payment and cancellation policies, please refer to our website: http://www.rctcbwe.com	
<input type="checkbox"/> Check #: _____	By providing a check payment, you authorize RCTC to use the information from your check to make a one-time electronic funds transfer from your account or to process the payment as a check transaction. We will use your check to make an electronic fund transfer, funds may be withdrawn from your account the same day we receive payment, and you will not receive your check back from your financial institution.
Verification from Employer: Send an email to workforceeducation@rctc.edu authorizing invoicing for the class	
<input type="checkbox"/> Company Billing	Attn: _____ PO/Voucher #: _____
Company Name: _____	Work Phone: _____
Company Address: _____	City, State, Zip: _____
Registrations with a credit card payment must be made through our online registration system. https://mnscu.rschooltoday.com/public/costoption/class_id/289293	
For Questions, please call 507-280-3157 or send them via email ration to workforceeducation@rctc.edu	