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## BASIC NURSE ASSISTANT TRAINING CLASSES STARTING MARCH 21st At South Suburban College

SOUTH HOLLAND, IL—The South Suburban College non-credit Basic Nurse Assistant Training Program (BNATP) is running a daytime cohort session from March 21st through May 10th at the Oak Forest Center. Successful completion of this non-credit course is required in order to become eligible to take the State of Illinois Nursing Assistant Certification Examination. SSC offers more contact hours for training than traditional CNA programs along with an additional free refresher course prior to the state certification exam. Each individual who successfully passes the certification exam will then be placed on the State Registry for Health Care Workers.

Instruction includes basic nursing skills through lecture, campus laboratory and supervised clinical experiences at a long-term health care facility. The classes meet at the Oak Forest Center on Mondays and Tuesdays from 8:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. with lab and clinical instruction rotating on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., respectively.

Students must submit a health physical, proof of health insurance and completion of a Livescan fingerprint criminal history record. The total cost of the program is \$1,299.99 which includes tuition, textbook/workbook, stethoscope and blood pressure cuff, gait belt and the cost of the state competency exam upon successful completion of the course. (Financial Aid cannot cover the cost of this program, nor the physical and background check.)

There will also be another round of classes running in the summer from June 6<sup>th</sup> through July 28<sup>th</sup>. Please call (708) 596-2000, ext. 2497 or email <u>JMabry@ssc.edu</u> for more information. The Oak Forest Center is located at 16333 South Kilbourn Avenue, Oak Forest, Illinois.

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