FAQs

What is the total estimated cost of the class?

After the $1,795 class registration, costs vary by student. Review our Estimated Costs sheet for more details.

Is there an online option?

No. Full, in-person attendance is mandatory for all course elements.

I need help paying for the class. Are there any options?

Because the FastTrack class is noncredit, it is not eligible for traditional financial aid.

- *Needs-based financial assistance may be available for eligible students through the WVC | Student Grants Center. Please note that applying for and securing grant funds can take time. It is recommended to begin this process as soon as possible.*
- *Some employers may reimburse or pay for training.*

Students seeking financial assistance through grants, employers, or others must secure the funding or submit a completed Commitment to Pay form at the time of registration.

Is there a payment plan for the FastTrack class?

No

Does the CNA FastTrack class fulfill the prerequisite for the WVC nursing program?

Yes

What is the waitlist process?

If a class is full, students can bring in their completed paperwork (a grace period may be extended for background checks) for review. If application and documentation are in order, you will be added to the waitlist. If a spot becomes available we will reach out.

If a spot becomes available:

- *More than 20 days before class starts, you will have 3 business days to submit paperwork and register*
- *10-20 days before class starts, you will have 2 business days to submit paperwork and register*
- *Less than 10 days before class starts, you will have 24 hours (not counting weekends/holidays) to submit paperwork and register.*

Do I need to buy a textbook?

No. Books are available for use during the class. If you prefer to purchase a book for your own reference:

Nursing Assisting: A Foundation in Caregiving, 6th Edition
By Diana Dugan, RN

What is the refund policy?

A full refund will be issued if we are notified at least 48 hours before class begins.

Can I bring my child to class with me if I'm in a pinch?

No. It is against WVC policy. Make childcare arrangements, including a backup plan, before committing to the class.

- **What's the difference between NURS 100 and FastTrack?**
  NURS 100 is the for-credit version CNA FastTrack. The content and outcomes of both classes are the same, and both include one attempt of the WA DOH NA skills exam. NURS 100 and CNA FastTrack satisfy the CNA requirement for entry into the WVC nursing program. NURS 100 is the length of one academic quarter, or about 10 weeks. The FastTrack class is approximately 4 weeks, with a more rigorous daily schedule.

- **How do I register for NURS 100?**
  *Review the NURS 100 admissions and registration information here: **WVC | Nursing Assistant Options***

- **Do I need to order a drug screen?**
  No, not for the CNA FastTrack class. It may be required for other nursing or allied health programs.

- **Will I be a Certified Nursing Assistant at the end of the class?**
  No, but you're close! After passing the WA DOH NAC skills exam (1 attempt included in the course), students are eligible to take the written exam. In most cases, this can be done within a few days of completing the class. After passing the written exam, students await issuance of the NAC credential by the WA Department of Health.
  *This graphic shows the steps involved in earning the NAC credential within a WVC nursing assistant class: **Path to NAC Credential in a WVC Nursing Assistant Course***

- **How do I know if a criminal record will disqualify me from participating in the class?**
  Review the list of Disqualifying Crimes outlined by Washington State.
  Clinical facilities may enforce stricter policies and make the final decision regarding student admittance for the clinical portion of the class.

- **Do I need to purchase a full student package with Complio to track my vaccines/tests?**
  *No. CNA FastTrack students need to purchase the **background check only**.*
  A full Complio account is required for other WVC nursing or allied health programs.

- **Do I have to pay for parking?**
  *Yes, if you choose to park in a WVC parking lot. For parking information including rates, payment instructions, and free options, visit: **WVC | Parking***

- **Can I choose where I go for clinicals?**
  No. The class goes together to the same clinical facility.

- **What is the difference between the CNA Bridge and CNA FastTrack?**
  The Bridge class is only available for students with active Washington State Home Care Aide or Medical Assistant Certified licenses. Proof of license is required.

  The FastTrack class is designed for students who do not already hold these licenses. It can also be a good option for those who do, but who want a refresher or more in-depth nursing assistant training.

- **How do I get certified?**
    1. *Take a class (CNA FastTrack, CNA Bridge, or NURS 100)*
        a. *Apply for the NAC credential through WA DOH (this is done in class)*
        b. *Pass the theory/lab portion of class*
        c. *Pass the clinical portion of class*
        d. *Pass the WA NAC skills exam (required to pass the class)*
    2. *Take the WA NAC written exam*

    The path to certification within a WVC nursing assistant class is outlined here: ***Path to NAC Credential in a WVC Nursing Assistant course***