

Certified Nursing Assistant

Vocational Training

Vocational Overview

A certified nursing assistant (CNA) provides basic care for medical patients. CNA healthcare settings include hospitals, skilled-nursing facilities, retirement communities, and in-home.

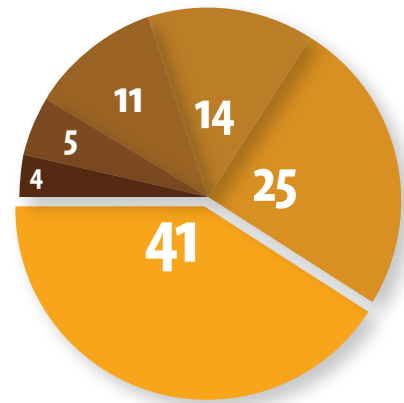
CNA employment includes the following duties:

- Assisting patients with daily activities
- Checking vital biological signs
- Completing medical reports

Career Outlook

National CNA employment projections between the years 2014 and 2024 estimate growth by 17%, translating to 267,800 jobs. California employs 98,040 CNAs, making the state the second largest CNA-employer in the nation. In the San Diego region, CNA is an in-demand employment category. The hourly mean wage for CNAs is \$14.96 in California. The average annual income of a San Diego CNA is \$30,930.

CNA Employers



- 4% Government
- 5% In-Home
- 11% Retirement Community
- 14% Other
- 25% Hospital
- 41% Skilled-Nursing Facility

Career Advancement

Nursing Discipline | Healthcare Sector

\$30,930 annually

Certified Nursing Assistant
22 days training

\$51,870 annually

Licensed Vocational Nurse
Requires high school diploma or GED
1 year education

\$90,860 annually

Registered Nurse
Requires high school diploma or GED
2–4 years education

\$120,930 annually

Nurse Practitioner
6–8 years education

\$71,530–\$171,560 annually

Advanced Practice Registered Nurse
Requires master's degree
6–8 years education

Data Sources

The American Red Cross
US Dep't of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

