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# Earn While You Learn

Get paid while pursuing your nursing career

## Benefits of Becoming a Health Care Assistant



**BC  
Health Care  
Assistants**

You could be earning pay and may be eligible for benefits as a Health Care Assistant while you continue toward a nursing career in British Columbia.

Working as an HCA will enable you to gain valuable health care experience and to develop transferable skills such as providing support for a variety of clients. The advantages of becoming an HCA as a nursing student include providing person-centred care as part of a team, networking with other health care professionals, learning about organizational structures, and deepening your professional values.



### Having a Rewarding Career

Jump starting your nursing career in a fulfilling profession that matters, and make a positive difference in someone's life every day



### Help Your Community

Directly impacting your community by providing person-centred care and assistance to others locally



### Fill an Important Role

Health Care Assistants are vital to the front line and work closely with other health care team members



### Networking

Connect with other health care professionals to grow your network on your journey



### Job Opportunities

Being a Health Care Assistant is an ideal stepping stone, with options to work in various regions and settings across the province



### Flexible Employment Options

Casual, part-time, or full-time work schedules are available with a variety of flexible options



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# PATHWAY TO REGISTRATION

## FOR NURSING STUDENTS

Are you a nursing student training to become a LPN, RN, or RPN?

1.

If so, you may be able to work as a registered Health Care Assistant while studying to become a nurse. Apply<sup>1</sup> to BC Care Aide Registry as a Nursing Student and become an HCA to launch your career.

1. To apply, visit [www.cachwr.bc.ca/Application/Nursing-Student/Form.aspx](http://www.cachwr.bc.ca/Application/Nursing-Student/Form.aspx)

2.

Upload your:

- Official Transcripts
- Competency Reference Letter
- Character Reference Letter

3.

After you submit your documents and finalize your application, your profile will be created and the Registry will contact you within 5-10 business days.

