

Certified Medication Aide

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State	Meets Educational Requirements	Does Not Meet Educational Requirements	Undetermined	Comments	
Alabama		X		The Alabama Board of Nursing regulates medication assistants. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.abn.alabama.gov/mac/.	
Alaska		X		Alaska Board of Nursing	
Arizona		X		The Arizona State Board of Nursing regulates medication assistants. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.azbn.gov/education/licensed-health-aide-medication-and-nursing-assistant-programs.	
Arkansas		X		The Arkansas Board of Nursing regulates medication assistants. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.healthy.arkansas.gov/programs-services/topics/asbn-medication-assistants-certified.	
California		X		California Department of Public Health	
Colorado		X		The Colorado Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://dpo.colorado.gov/Nursing/CNAApplications.	
Connecticut		X		The Connecticut Department of Developmental Services regulates medication administration. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://portal.ct.gov/DDS/EducationalSupport/Medication-Administration/Med-Admin-Training-and-Certification-Program.	
Delaware		X		The Delaware Division of Development Disabilities Services regulates medication administration. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://dhss.delaware.gov/dhss/ddds/nursing_forms.html.	
Florida		X		Florida Board of Nursing » Certified Nursing Assistant by Endorsement - Licensing, Renewals & Information (floridasnursing.gov)	
Georgia		X		The Georgia Department of Community Health regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.mmis.georgia.gov/portal/PubAccess.Nurse%20Aide/tabid/44/Default.aspx.	Assisted Living Community (ALC) Medication Aide Frequently Asked
Hawaii		X		Professional & Vocational Licensing Division Licensing Area: Nurse Aide (hawaii.gov)	
Idaho		X		The Idaho Board of Nursing regulates medication assistants. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://ibn.idaho.gov/.	
Illinois		X		The Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs4.asp?DocName=022500650HArt%2E+80&ActID=1312&ChapterID=24&SeqStart=21850000&SeqEnd=-1.	
Indiana		X		The Indiana Department of Health regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for registration can be found at https://www.in.gov/health/long-term-care/nursing-homes/qualified-medication-aide/how-do-i-become-a-qma/.	
Iowa	X			Additional requirements must be met for certification as a medication aide in Iowa. The Iowa Department of Inspections and Appeals may require applicants to be a certified nursing assistant or pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://dia.iowa.gov/press-release/2016-11-04/new-rules-ease-restrictions-certified-medication-aide-training-some.	
Kansas	X			Additional requirements must be met for certification as a medication aide in Kansas. The Kansas Department for Aging and Disability Services requires applicants to be at least 18 years old, a certified nurse aide or qualified intellectual disability professional, and pass an exam. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://kdads.ks.gov/provider-home/statutes-and-regulations.	
Kentucky		X		The Kentucky Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for registration can be found at https://kbn.ky.gov/Pages/state-registered-nurse-aides.aspx and https://nurseaide.kctcs.edu/kma/.	
Louisiana		X		The Louisiana Department of Health regulates medication attendants. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://ldh.la.gov/page/3794.	

Maine		X		The Maine Department of Health and Human Services regulates medication administration. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/dlc/cna-registry.	
Maryland		X		The Maryland Board of Nursing regulates medicine aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://mbon.maryland.gov/Pages/medaide-factsheet-1.aspx.	
Massachusetts		X		The Massachusetts Drug Control Program regulates medication administration. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.mass.gov/medication-administration-program-map.	
Michigan		X		Michigan Licensing and Regulatory Affairs	
Minnesota		X		The Minnesota Department of Health regulates medication administration. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for registration can be found at https://www.health.state.mn.us/facilities/providers/nursingassistant/index.html and https://www.revisor.mn.gov/rules/4658.1360/ .	
Mississippi		X		Mississippi State Department of Health	
Missouri		X		The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services regulates medication technicians. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://health.mo.gov/safety/cnaregistry/cmt.php#:~:text=An%20individual%20must%20successfully%20compete,Medication%20Technician%20(CMT)%20Registry.	
Montana		X		The Montana Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://boards.bsd.dli.mt.gov/nursing/license-information/medication-aide-l.	
Nebraska	X- exam required			Additional requirements must be met for registration as a medication aide in Nebraska. The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services requires applicants to be at least 18 years old and to pass an exam if the applicant intends to work in certain settings. Additional information regarding licensure can be found at https://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/medication-aide.aspx.	Medication Aide Requirements (ne.gov)
Nevada		X		The Nevada State Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://nevadanursingboard.org/ and https://www.leg.state.nv.us/Division/Legal/LawLibrary/NRS/NRS-632.html#NRS632Sec292 .	
New Hampshire		X		The New Hampshire Board of Nursing regulates medication administration. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.oplc.nh.gov/new-hampshire-board-nursing and https://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/ras/html/XXX/326-B/326-B-27.htm .	Applications for MNA NH Office of Professional Licensure and Certification
New Jersey		X		The New Jersey Department of Health regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.nj.gov/health/healthfacilities/certification-licensing/certified-medication-aide/.	Department of Health Health Facilities Certified Medication Aide (nj.gov)
New Mexico		X		The New Mexico Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://nmbon.sks.com/medication-aides.aspx.	
New York		X		Patient Safety Center - Center for Consumer Health Care Information - New York State Department of Health (ny.gov)	
North Carolina		X		The North Carolina Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for registration can be found at https://www.ncbon.com/practice-medication-aides.	
North Dakota		X		The North Dakota Department of Health and Human Services regulates medication assistants. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.hhs.nd.gov/health/regulation-licensure-and-certification/health-facilities-unit/nurse-aide-registry.	
Ohio		X		The Ohio Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://nursing.ohio.gov/licensing-and-certification/types-of-applications/medication-aide-certification.	
Oklahoma		X		The Oklahoma Department of Career and Technology Education regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://oklahoma.gov/careertech/testing-center/health-professional-certifications/medication-aide.html#:~:text=Certified%20Medication%20Aide%20candidates%20must,mentally%20capable%20to%20safely%20perform.	
Oregon		X		The Oregon State Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.oregon.gov/osbn/Pages/NA-MA-program.aspx.	
Pennsylvania		X		Nurse Aide (pa.gov)	
Rhode Island		X		The Rhode Island Department of Health regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=232#pgm.	

South Carolina		X		The South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs regulates medication technicians. The specific education requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://ddsn.sc.gov/providers/ddsn-directives-standards-and-manuals/current-directives.	
South Dakota		X		The South Dakota Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for registration can be found at https://doh.sd.gov/boards/nursing/MedAideRequirements.aspx.	
Tennessee		X		The Tennessee Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/nursing-board.html.	
Texas		X		The Texas Department of Health and Human Services regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.hhs.texas.gov/business/licensing-credentialing-regulation/long-term-care-credentialing/medication-aide-program.	
Utah		X		The Utah Division of Professional Licensing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://www.dopl.utah.gov/nursing/apply-for-a-license/medication-aide/.	
Vermont		X		The Vermont Board of Nursing regulates medication nursing assistants. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://sos.vermont.gov/nursing/ and https://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/section/26/028/01641 .	
Virginia		X		The Virginia Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for registration can be found at http://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Boards/Nursing/ApplicantResources/ApplyforLicense/MedicationAide/.	
Washington		X		The Washington State Department of Health regulates medication assistants. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://doh.wa.gov/licenses-permits-and-certificates/professions-new-renew-or-update/nursing-assistant/licensing-information.	
West Virginia		X		The West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources regulates medication assistive personnel. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for licensure can be found at https://ohflac.wvdhhr.org/Programs/AM.html.	
Wisconsin		X		The Wisconsin Department of Health Services regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/regulations/nh/medaides-requirements.htm.	
Wyoming		X		The Wyoming State Board of Nursing regulates medication aides. The specific educational requirements and any additional requirements for certification can be found at https://wsbn.wyo.gov/practice.	

GCCC is a Kansas Department for Aging and Disabilities Services (KDADS) approved course sponsor. The KDADS Certified Medication Aide (CMA) training mandates include a candidate has verification of an 8th grade reading comprehension level, is at least 18 years of age, has an active CNA certification in Kansas, completed a minimum 75 hour course that includes 25 hours of clinical rotations in a long term care facility, and pass the state written exam. CMA's in the State of Kansas must complete 10 hours of approved continuing education every 2 years. States may vary in scope of practice and educational requirements. Some states that are marked as "No" may require additional testing in written and skills competencies, additional hours, or an individual application for approval on an individual basis. Every effort has been made to research each state listed above for accuracy, but GCCC advises students to utilize the links and verify if there is reciprocity to the specific state.

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