



Home Health Aide Eligibility Criteria

CHOOSE YOUR ROUTE

There are **FIVE (5)** routes of eligibility to take the CHHA exam. Select your route of eligibility from the following:

1. Current High School Student

Are you a **CURRENT** High School Student in a Home Health program from an NCCT (authorized) school?

- You must be a United States high school student.
- Upon obtaining a passing score on the Certified Home Health Aide certification exam, you will receive a provisional certification.
- Upon graduation, you must submit a copy of your High School diploma, your Home Health Aide diploma, certificate of completion, or official (signed) transcript with graduation date to obtain full certification.
- All required documents must be submitted within two years after graduation in order for your full certification to be released.

2. Current Non-High School Student

Are you a **CURRENT** Non-High School Student in a Home Health program from an NCCT (authorized) school?

- You must be a United States high school graduate or hold equivalent credentials (e.g., GED).
- You must submit a copy of your Home Health Aide diploma, certificate of completion, or official (signed) transcript with graduation date to obtain full certification.
- All required documents must be submitted within **TWO (2)** years after successful program completion in order for your certification to be released.

3. Graduate

Are you a **GRADUATE** from a Home Health Aide program from an NCCT (authorized) school, within the past **FIVE (5)** years?

- You must be a United States high school graduate or hold equivalent credentials (e.g., GED).
- You must submit a copy of your Home Health Aide diploma, certificate of completion, or transcript with graduation date. This includes U.S. Department of Labor Registered Apprenticeship programs.

4. Experience

You have **SIX (6)** months of verifiable full-time experience or equivalent (1040 hours) as a Home Health Aide practitioner with multiple clients, within the past **FIVE (5)** years.

OR

You have **ONE (1)** year of verifiable full time experience or equivalent (2080 hours) as a Home Health Aide practitioner with one client within the past **FIVE (5)** years.

- You must be a United States high school graduate or hold equivalent credentials (e.g., GED).
- You must submit a copy of your high schooldiploma (or equivalent) and the **Home Health Aide Certification Qualification by Experience** form completed by your employer.

NOTE: Working as an instructor is not equivalent to working as a practitioner.

5. Military

Have you completed Home Health Aide training or its equivalent during U.S. Military service within the past **FIVE (5)** years?

- You must be a United States high school graduate or hold equivalent credentials (e.g., GED).
- You must provide a copy of a **SMART** transcript or **DD214** indicating you have successfully completed a formal medical services training program of the United States Armed Forces relating to the discipline for which you are testing. The **DD214** or **SMART** transcript must be current within the past **FIVE (5)** years.

