

## ***How to Apply for KMA***

1. Fill out the **Workforce Training Application**. Double Check to make sure you have filled out all information. KCTCS must use your Social Security Number and birth date to initially enroll you in this course.
2. Sign and date **Infection Control Form**. (If you have received Hepatitis B vaccinations, please include dates or documentation.)
3. Fill out the **Application for Insurance Form**. This is the liability insurance that will protect you during this course. *A separate payment of \$20 is required for the insurance coverage.*
4. Read and sign the **Statement of Understanding**.
5. You must provide the following documentation:
  - a. **Recent Compass Scores from KCTCS College -OR- TABE Test results**. (If you have not taken the Compass exam at a KCTCS College, you need to make arrangements with the Adult Education Center to take the TABE test. (Bourbon County 859-987-5863, Harrison County 859-234-7160, Mason County 606-759-7176 ext.66261)
  - b. **Copy of CNA card**.
  - c. **Copy of Nurse Registry Abuse List**.
  - d. **Letter of six months employment as a CNA**. Letters must be on company letter head and may be faxed or mailed to LVC if you choose 859.234.5098, This may be waived with the instructor's consent.
  - e. **Transcript from High School or GED**.
6. If you choose to participate in the payment plan for this course, you must make arrangements to meet with the business office at your campus.

***As a student enrolling for the Kentucky Medication Aide Course, it is your responsibility to provide the above application and documentation. All material are due before the course begins. If materials are not received by this deadline you will not be able to enroll for KMA this term.***

\*If you have questions or need assistance with the application process, please call:

Licking Valley Campus- 859.234.8626 ext 66429 or email [karey.smith@kctcs.edu](mailto:karey.smith@kctcs.edu)

Maysville Campus- 606-759-7176 ext. 66117 or email [gwyn.gallenstein@kctcs.edu](mailto:gwyn.gallenstein@kctcs.edu)

## **Kentucky Medication Aide**

### **Description**

*The Kentucky Medication Aide Program prepares nurse aides to dispense specific medications to individuals in long-term care facilities as delegated and supervised by licensed nurses. The curriculum combines classroom theory, laboratory practice and clinical experience under the direction of a licensed nurse. Graduates of the program are eligible to take the state test for inclusion on the Kentucky Nurse Aide Registry.*

### **Program Options**

*Completion Options: Certificate*

### **Program Requirements**

*This plan is for students who have appropriately applied for admission to Gateway Community and Technical College. Admission to Gateway community and Technical College does not guarantee admission to the Kentucky Medication Aide Program. Students must provide verification that they have six months work experience as a nurse aide in a health care facility within the last two years.*

### **Course Number and Title**

*100KMA Kentucky Medication Aide Total 5 Credits*

### **Program Curriculum**

*A student who has been accepted into the Kentucky Medication Aide Program must complete a minimum of 80 hours in lecture and clinical experiences that prepare the individual to take both a written and a performance test to validate competence. Upon successful completion of the program and testing to validate competency, the nurse aide's status is changed on the state nurse aide registry to reflect that the nurse aide is able to dispense medications in a long-term care facility.*

### **Nature of Work**

*The medication aide dispenses specific medications under the supervision of licensed nurses (RN or LPN).*

### **Employment Opportunities**

*Employment of nursing aides is expected to grow faster than the average for all occupations in response to an emphasis on rehabilitation and the long-term care needs of a rapidly growing population of those 75 years old and older. Employment will increase as a result of the expansion of nursing homes and other long-term care facilities for people with chronic illnesses and disabling conditions, many of whom are elderly. Also increasing employment of nursing aides will be modern medical technology, which while saving more lives increases the need for the extended care provided by aides. As a result, nursing and personal care facilities are expected to grow very rapidly and to provide most of the new jobs for nursing aides.*

### **Salary**

*In Northern Kentucky, the median expected salary for a medication aide is \$26,000 (Approx.)*

*5 credit hours, course fee is \$625 per person, plus textbook (approximately \$70-\$80)*

*State Certification exam is given two weeks after the completion of the course, fee is \$40.*