

Long-term Care NEWSLETTER

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- Nurse Aide in Training Registry Reminder
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Nurse Aide in Training Registry – Reminder

Thank you to those facilities who have been entering their nurse aides in training on the new REDCap Nurse Aide in Training Registry. Over 100 facilities have reported nearly 800 nurse aides in training. This registry was created to provide a record of nurse aides in training in nursing facilities in Indiana. Many individuals will need to be certified by October 6, which is 4 months after the federal waiver ended that allowed nurse aides to work 8 months, rather than 4 months, before completing their training and testing. Having this information will allow IDOH to monitor and address any capacity issues with training and testing.

<u>Nursing facilities should be completing the survey for any nurse aides hired who are not yet</u> <u>certified.</u> This would include former PCAs and TNAs who did not complete their nurse aide training prior to July 1 but who are enrolled in a nurse aide training program with the intention of completing the training, testing and certification.

The REDCap Nurse Aide in Training Registry can be accessed with the following link: https://redcap.isdh.in.gov/surveys/?s=CMWRXH9J4C.

Any questions regarding the Nurse Aide in Training Registry may be directed to Suzanne Williams at suwilliams@isdh.in.gov. If nursing facilities or training programs experience capacity issues in

training and testing that will result in a delay for a nurse aide to meet the full requirements within 4 months after the federal waiver ended, please notify Suzanne Williams.

New CNA Certification Exam

As part of the state's effort to improve Certified Nurse Aide training and testing in Indiana, IDOH and Ivy Tech have launched a new and improved CNA certification exam to better evaluate competency based on current standards and training requirements.

The test questions and answers were thoroughly reviewed and revised. The testing process remains the same at this time.