

## **October 26 Nurse Aide class helps people achieve good paying health jobs**

**CENTREVILLE---**The health care industry now leads all other segments of the economy in job hires. People are needed urgently to help care for the growing population of elderly and disabled in America. Nurse aides assist registered nurses in nursing homes, hospitals and medical clinics. Some aides may also go to patients' homes to help them with activities of daily living, such as food preparation, grooming and range-of-motion exercises.

Nurse aides are an invaluable help to nurses and patients because they perform a wide range of tasks and provide extensive direct patient care, including moving and transporting patients, educating patients and family members about their health and treatments, taking and recording vital signs, collecting specimens for labs and applying dressings. Nurse's aides often work with patients who need continuing care.

**Now Certified Nurse Aide training is available at Glen Oaks Community College. The college offers a six-credit hour course designed to guide qualified job seekers in learning the skills needed to perform duties as a Nurse Aide and prepare for the state certification exam.**

The next NUR 100 Nurse Aide course begins October 26, 2009 at Glen Oaks Community College and enrollment is open now. Students should enroll for this semester offering by October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Several short sessions of training are offered in the semester. This is a reimbursed program, in many cases, depending on where graduates gain employment after training. The course takes just four weeks (half day sessions), so many people work around their present employment schedule. According to program leaders, those who enroll could be working in a nursing home by the start of 2010.

For more information about the Nurse Aid training, contact the Nursing education office at Glen Oaks Community College: (269) 294-4333, or Michigan Works! More information is also available at Career Education Consumer Report at [www.Michigan.gov](http://www.Michigan.gov)