

**WAC 246-841A-409 Types of nursing assistant training programs.**

(1) This chapter addresses four types of nursing assistant training programs:

(a) Traditional nursing assistant training programs, which provide the complete training required for competency evaluation and career entry as a nursing assistant-certified.

(b) Home care aide-certified alternative training programs, which recognize prior training and certification as a home care aide and provide the additional education required to qualify for competency evaluation and career progression to a nursing assistant-certified.

(c) Medical assistant-certified alternative training programs, which recognize prior training and certification as a medical assistant and provide the additional education required to qualify for competency evaluation and career progression to a nursing assistant-certified.

(d) Medication assistant certification endorsement training, which provides the additional education required of experienced nursing assistants-certified to qualify for competency evaluation to earn a medication assistant endorsement.

(2) The requirements for initial and ongoing approval of nursing assistant training programs (described in WAC 246-841A-420 through 246-841A-460) and for corrective actions for nursing assistant training programs (described in WAC 246-841A-465 through 246-841A-490) apply to all training program types unless exceptions are specifically noted in this chapter:

(a) Exceptions for home care aide-certified alternative programs are noted in WAC 246-841A-545.

(b) Exceptions for medical assistant-certified alternative programs are noted in WAC 246-841A-550.

(c) Exceptions for medication assistant certification endorsement programs are noted in WAC 246-841A-590.

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