Dining Assistant Guidelines  
Required by the Department of Health & Senior Services

Education Program

Minimum of 11.25 hours of classroom instruction of which 5.75 hours of practicum instruction must be given to each participant under the supervision of a Registered Nurse. The practicum could be either on-the-job training or in a laboratory setting.

Depending on class size, the on-the-job training/laboratory hours can be adjusted accordingly; i.e., if training 1 or 2 individuals, practicum hours may be less than the 5.75 hours.

Training Facilities

DHSS requires that instruction be conducted in state-certified facilities only.

Instructor Qualifications

The Department of Health and Senior Services requires the course be instructed by a Registered Nurse.