



# Challenge Exam Information Sheet

## 30-543-300 Nursing Assistant

### Course Information

<i>Course # Title</i>	30-543-300 Nursing Assistant
<i>Credits</i>	2
<i>Instructional Area</i>	Nursing
<i>Instructional Level</i>	Less Than One-year Technical Diploma Program
<i>Division</i>	Health Sciences

[Click here to review the detailed course outcome summary](#) for this course to determine if you are prepared to take this challenge exam.

### Challenge Exam Format

**Number/Format of Questions:** This credit for prior learning assessment consists of three parts, to be completed in this order:

- Letter of Intent
- Challenge Exam
- Skills Assessment

**Passing Score:** Students must pass the Challenge Exam portion with 80% or better to proceed to the Skill Demonstration section.

65 out of 81 questions, multiple choice format.

**Time Allowed For Completion:**

- Letter of Intent: No time limit, submit before the Challenge Exam
- Challenge Exam: 90 minutes
- Skills Demonstration: 60 minutes

**Materials Allowed In Testing Room:** Northwood Technical College will provide all materials needed.

**When/How Results Will Be Available:** Results will be emailed to your Northwood Tech email account within one week of taking the exam

## Challenge Exam Guidelines

**Understand that Challenge Exams are evaluative, rather than learning, experiences.** Results indicate only whether a student has earned credit for prior learning: pass or fail. No score is available, nor is a report of how a student performed on any piece of the exam.

- Prior to taking the challenge exam, you must:
  - ✓ be an admitted student.
  - ✓ pay a non-refundable fee of \$50.
- You may only attempt this Challenge Exam once in a 12-month period.
- The exam may be scheduled before or after the course begins, but must be completed within the first seven calendar days from the course start date.
- Reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities will be made to ensure access to academic programs, activities, services and employment in accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAA). Students with a documented disability must request accommodations by contacting the campus Accommodation Specialist and following required steps to obtain accommodations at the post-secondary level.
- If you are enrolled in the course and successfully complete the Challenge Exam, you will receive a 100 percent tuition refund for the course.

**NOTE:** A reduced credit load may affect your financial aid and/or insurance eligibility if you successfully complete a Challenge Exam. Please contact your advisor or the financial aid office for more information.

## Challenge Exam Sample Questions

1. To protect a clients' privacy, you should do all of the following *except*:
  - a. Open the client's mail.
  - b. Keep all information confidential.
  - c. Discuss the client's treatment or diagnosis with the nursing supervising your work.
  - d. Allow the client to visit with others in private.
  
2. HIPAA laws protect a client's rights pertaining to:
  - a. Financial security.
  - b. Refuse health care services.
  - c. Privacy and security of health records.
  - d. Legal representation.
  
3. A client is angry and shouting at you. You should do all of the following *except*:
  - a. Stay calm and professional.
  - b. Listen to what the client is saying, despite the anger and loud voice.
  - c. Yell back at the client so he will listen to your perspective.
  - d. Report the client's behavior to the supervisor of the client's care.
  
4. A client uses a wheelchair. For effective communication you should:
  - a. Lean on the wheelchair.
  - b. Sit or squat next to the client so as to be at eye level.
  - c. Pat the client on the head.
  - d. Direct questions to the client's family member.
  
5. You see a water spill in the hallway. What will you do?
  - a. Ask housekeeping to wipe up the spill right away.
  - b. Report the spill to the nurse in charge of the client's care.
  - c. Wipe up the spill as soon as possible.
  - d. Ask the client to walk around the spill until someone cleans it up.

6. Standard precautions:
  - a. Prevent the spread of pathogens through the air.
  - b. Are used for all persons.
  - c. Require gowns, gloves, masks, and goggles.
  - d. Require a doctor's order.
  
7. When giving female perineal care, you should do all of the following *except*:
  - a. Cleanse from the urethra to the anus (front to back)
  - b. Try not to look at the area as it may embarrass the client.
  - c. Only expose what is necessary to provide the care.
  - d. Check for any signs of skin breakdown.
  
8. A contracture is:
  - a. The loss of muscle strength from inactivity.
  - b. The lack of joint mobility from shortening of a muscle.
  - c. A decrease in the size of a muscle.
  - d. A blood clot in the muscle.
  
9. A client with dysphagia:
  - a. Are fed using a swallow guide.
  - b. Always use straws for liquids.
  - c. Have a regular diet,
  - d. Eat alone in their room.
  
10. Which pulse rate should be reported at once for the adult client?
  - a. A pulse rate of 56 beats per minute.
  - b. A pulse rate of 60 beats per minute.
  - c. A pulse rate of 80 beats per minute.
  - d. A pulse rate of 90 beats per minute.

## **Skills Assessment Scenarios:**

A total of 8 skills will be selected. Skills can be selected from the following:

Headmaster Wisconsin Website, Candidate Handbook - Skills. This provides students with a wealth of current information to prepare for the skills demonstration.

[https://www.hdmaster.com/testing/cnatesting/wisconsin/WI\\_CNA\\_Home.htm](https://www.hdmaster.com/testing/cnatesting/wisconsin/WI_CNA_Home.htm)