

Essential Skills and Abilities — Nurse Assistant

In order to handle the job responsibilities and tasks assigned to students in the *Nurse Assistant Program*, they must be able to:

1. Perform a full-range of body motion including handling and lifting patients, manual and finger dexterity, and eye-hand coordination.
2. Bend, reach, pull, push, stoop, and walk repeatedly throughout an eight (8) hour period.
3. Lift and carry up to fifty (50) pounds.
4. Demonstrate visual and auditory acuity within normal range (with correction if needed).
5. Maintain composure when subjected to high stress levels.
6. Adapt effectively to environments with high tension to ensure patient safety.
7. Adapt to irregular working hours.
8. Respond quickly and in an emotionally controlled manner in emergency situations.
9. Communicate in a rational and coherent manner both orally and in writing with individuals of all professions and social levels.