

Medication Aide in Adult Care Homes

1. A Medication Aide in adult care homes is an individual who has successfully completed the required Medication Aide course(s) approved by the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services, passed the state written medication exam for Medication Aides in adult care homes **and** has completed competency skills validation using The Medication Administration Skills Validation Form (DHSR/AC 4605 NCDHHS) at the employing facility.

Any individual who passed the State written exam for Medication Aides in adult care homes **on or before 09/30/13 AND** able to provide verification of employment as a medication aide **every 24 months since 10/01/2011 and** has completed competency skills validation using The Medication Administration Skills Validation Form (DHSR/AC 4605 NCDHHS) at the employing facility.

All Medication Aides in adult care homes must have competency validation at the employing facility and maintain the 6 hours of continuing education requirements annually.

2. The laws and regulations governing Medication Aides in adult care homes in N.C. include: GS § 131D-4.5, GS § 131D-4.5A, GS § 131D-4.5B, G.S. § 131D-21, 10A NCAC 13F/G .0403, 10A NCAC 13F/G .0503, 10A NCAC 13F/G .0504, 10A NCAC 13F/G .0505; 10A NCAC 13F/G .0903 and 10A NCAC 13F/G .1000.
3. The routes of medication administration in this course include the following: oral, eye, ear, nasal, inhalant, transdermal and topical. General information and skills check off for subcutaneous injections, is included in the curriculum but is only required if the task will be performed by Medication Aide.
4. Allegations of fraud against a facility or resident, resident abuse or neglect, misappropriation of property belonging to a resident or facility, or diversion of medication belonging to a resident or facility by the Medication Aide must be reported to the N.C. Health Care Personnel Registry. Substantiated findings by the Health Care Personnel Registry are listed on the Health Care Personnel Registry.
5. It is the responsibility of the Medication Aide to notify the Health Care Personnel Education and Credentialing Section of name changes.
6. Information on registration for the state written exam for unlicensed staff in adult care homes may be obtained at <https://www.ncnar.org/ncmaach.html>. Results or verification may be obtained via website at [N.C. Adult Care Medication Testing](#).