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Partnership Equips Adult Learners with Work-Ready Healthcare Skills

(TAMPA) — CNA Training & Testing Center invites adult learners to go back to school this Spring to complete their GED or to learn English while simultaneously earning a desirable industry license as a Certified Nursing Assistant. The Brandon-based company, which prepares adults of all ages to obtain healthcare certification, has partnered with Hillsborough County Public Schools to offer its service completely free to participants enrolled in Hillsborough County Adult Education Programs.

This adult education and training approach gives participants the opportunity to enhance their education with employable skills and income. It is available to English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL); Adult Basic Education (ABE); and/or Adult General Education (GED) students. As of 2023, more than 14,000 students were enrolled in adult education within Hillsborough County.

Dr. Vanity Barr-Little, who founded CNA Training & Testing Center and its related diploma programs through the Career Training Institute, emphasized the added flexibility the program offers adult learners. "For many people, the pursuit of education and the responsibility of providing for one's family are competing priorities," she said.

Those who enter the adult education program will also have the option to engage in the company's registered apprenticeship program, which runs concurrently with the adult education and training program. Apprenticeship programs help individuals raise their earning potential through career development that is directed by an employer participant. Employment assistance is also available through CNA Training & Testing Center's signature Community Connection Program.

"Enabling adults to finish high school or learn English strengthens our community by bringing more people into the workforce," Barr-Little said. "It helps us build a sustainable, equitable economy."

Cohorts for the adult education program are registering now, with the last cohort beginning June 2024. Interested participants should reach out to CNA Training & Testing Center online at cnatrainingandtestingcenter.com/contact-us, where they will find their next steps to begin registration into the program. They may also visit the Encore Community Job Training Center at 620 E 7th Ave. Tampa, FL 33602.

CNA Training & Testing Center meets the needs of individuals taking the next steps in their education and career journeys and of organizations seeking to employ certified nursing assistants, home health aides, or phlebotomy technicians. With its small-group settings, instructor-led classes, unlimited and flexible practice time in clinical testing areas, on-site Prometric testing, and on-site background screening in partnership with Reliable Livescan, CNA Training & Testing Center is committed to meeting the growing need for compassionate and competent care in the healthcare industry. CNA Training & Testing Center is a Department of Labor and Department of Education program sponsor for the Registered Apprenticeship Program for nursing assistants.