



Paid Feeding Assistant Curriculum Application Form

All data submitted on this application shall be classified as public information once the approval is issued. **Minnesota Statutes, section 13.04 (<https://www.revisor.mn.gov/statutes/cite/13.04>).**

This document provides a detailed overview of the application process for obtaining approval of a paid feeding assistant curriculum from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH). The review and approval process will be based on the submission of a completed approval form

Applicant Name _____

Address _____

Contact Person _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Instructions and Requirements

1. Complete and submit this form with required information to receive paid feeding assistant curriculum approval.
2. Submit the completed form to Health.NAR.coord@state.mn.us.
3. Submit an online copy of the curriculum, provide a login and password if needed.
4. Paid Feeding Assistant Curriculum must meet minimum requirements according to Federal regulation [42 CFR 483.160 -- Requirements for training of paid feeding assistants](#) which requires the training course be approved by the Minnesota Department of Health and other applicable laws.
5. Consistent with Minnesota Nurse Practice Act, Minnesota Statutes, section 148.17, subdivision 15 the paid feeding assistant training course must be taught by a Registered Nurse.
6. The paid feeding assistants must be under the supervision of registered nurse or licensed practical nurse. The facility must ensure successful completion of the course.
7. A written test and competency test for eating assistance must be included in the training course. The written test must be passed with a minimum of 75% on each unit quiz.

Curriculum Requirements

Minimum training course contents. A State-approved training course for paid feeding assistants must include, at a minimum, 8 hours of training in the following:

- Feeding techniques. _____
- Assistance with feeding and hydration. _____

- Communication and interpersonal skills. _____
- Appropriate responses to resident behavior. _____
- Safety and emergency procedures, including abdominal thrusts _____
- Infection control. _____
- Resident rights. _____
- Recognizing changes in residents that are inconsistent with their normal behavior and the importance of reporting those changes to the supervisory nurse. _____
- A facility must maintain a record of all individuals, used by the facility as feeding assistants, who have successfully completed the training course for paid feeding assistants. _____

Office Use: ☐ Meets standards ☐ Not acceptable

Identify areas: _____

Verification Of Information

I verify the information submitted herein as part of the application for paid feeding assistant curriculum approval is true and accurate.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

Submit completed application form to Health.NAR.coord@state.mn.us.

Federal and State Regulations

Approval of Paid Feeding Assistant curriculum is consistent with the following federal and state requirements.

Federal Regulation

§ 483.160 Requirements for training of paid feeding assistants.

State Statute

Minnesota Statutes, section 144A.62, Resident Attendants

1Minnesota Statutes, section 148.171, subdivision 15, Practice of professional nursing.

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