

Intro to Medical Pathways (ESL)



This is an 18-hour virtual introductory class to build knowledge of medical vocabulary.

- Focus will be on terminology used in nursing assistant training
- Conversation practice, worksheets, practice quizzes, and more can be expected

Students will learn:

- Listening and communication skills
- Vocabulary words about the body, medicine, and medical equipment
- Test-taking skills
- The responsibilities and tasks of a nursing assistant
- How to safely take care of patients
- How to take blood pressure, temperature, pulse, height and weight of patients
- Patient and personal safety
- How to use medical equipment
- Information about infections

This program will focus on English as a Second Language (ESL) students and aims to help improve English language abilities and equip students to be successful in a potential healthcare career. This is a non-degree, non-credit program, and all instruction will be in English.

This is an introductory course. It is not a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) class. Upon successful completion of this program, the instructor will provide a recommendation to students interested in moving into the CNA class.

Program Location

Virtual, Synchronous using Zoom

Student Requirements

Class admission requirements include:

- A three week commitment to meet each Monday and Thursday from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM.
- Intermediate knowledge of the English language.
- A computer or tablet with Internet access to join using Zoom.
- To succeed in a virtual learning environment, it is important to have basic computer skills. You should be able to navigate Zoom for live classes, including joining meetings, muting and unmuting, and using the chat and other interactive features. Additionally, accessing course materials using SharePoint requires knowing how to open links, download files, and manage documents online.
- Students missing more than three and one half hours or more of class time will be dropped from the class, regardless of the reason.

2025 Class Dates

Class will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM for three weeks.

Option 1:

July 14, 17, 21, 24, 28, and 31

Option 2:

October 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, and 23

Course Size

Class is limited to 12 students to allow for a maximum learning experience. Enrollment is based on a first-come, first-served basis. Waiting lists are established once maximum enrollment is reached.

Course Investment

The fee for this program is \$250 and includes access to course materials.

Intro to Medical Pathways (ESL) is a short-term, non-credit program; therefore, TrainND Southwest does not offer financial aid or tuition assistance. Students may qualify for funding from state and federal agencies. For eligibility, please contact:

- Job Service North Dakota (701) 328-5000 (www.jobsnd.com)
- Bismarck Public Schools Adult Learning Center (701) 323-4530 (www.bismarckschools.org)

Additional funding opportunities may be available to those who were denied funding from the above-referenced agencies. To inquire, please contact our office.

Class Completion

To successfully complete, students must meet the following requirements:

- Receive an 80% or better on weekly quizzes and the final exam
- 80% attendance rate
- 100% participation while in class

The Introduction to Medical Pathways ESL class requires a commitment to attend class for three weeks. Students must also have intermediate English language (ELL) skills. To succeed in a virtual learning environment, it is important to have basic computer skills. You should be able to navigate Zoom for live classes and able to access course materials using SharePoint.

Refund Policy

Non-credit students must contact the BSC Continuing Education office at least three working days prior to the start of the class for a refund. A \$25 processing fee will be deducted from the amount refunded. If a student cancels after the class has started, the entire registration fee will be forfeited. Students can call (701) 224-5600 for more information.



Veterans Priority

Because this program receives funding from the U.S. Department of Labor, veterans and eligible spouses receive priority of service over non-covered persons. (20 CFR 1010)

Registration Options



In Person

National Energy Center of Excellence
1200 Schafer Street, Room 107
Bismarck, ND 58501
Phone: (701) 224-5600 or
(877) 846-9387



Mail (check-only)

BSC Continuing Education & TrainND
PO Box 5587, Bismarck, ND 58506-5587



Online

bismarckstate.edu/esltraining
(credit card or ACH payment accepted)

Registration closes one week prior to the start date of each course.



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