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Healthcare Provider Implements New Training Hours at Reduced Rate ***Goal to Increase Class Frequency and CNA Graduates***

In April 2020, Governor Evers signed Assembly Bill 1038 into law, which included permanently establishing the nurse aide training hours requirement at the federal 75-hour standard. Local skilled nursing, rehabilitation, and assisted living provider Dove Healthcare hosts multiple classes every year and in 2019, graduated 250 certified nursing assistants (CNA) from their state-approved classroom and clinical sites.

Historically, prospective students have faced barriers with waiting lists and the cost of tuition, which is counterproductive to the constant demand for CNAs across northwestern WI. Assembly Bill 1038 allows program sites like Dove Healthcare the flexibility to adjust their training programs in order to help meet the needs of the community.

Dove Healthcare's Regional Director of Operations Jeremy Kiley commented, "Our long-standing mission has been to increase the number of quality healthcare workers in the Chippewa Valley. While about half of the students go on to apply for employment with us, the rest are pursuing other goals, such as employment at a local hospital or application requirements for nursing school. Dove Healthcare is proud to be a community partner in this way, and the new training requirement is instrumental to increasing our class frequency, reducing the tuition fee, and thus expanding our healthcare workforce."

Students going on to work for Dove Healthcare complete an additional 16 hours of hands-on training upon hire. They are also eligible for 100% reimbursement of the \$475 class fee.

For more information about the nurse aide training program, visit dovehealthcare.com/cnaclass, call 715-720-2283, or email info@dovehealthcare.com.

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About Dove Healthcare

Dove Healthcare consists of six skilled nursing and rehabilitation centers and five assisted living residences in northwest Wisconsin. Core services include rehabilitation, post-hospital care, ventilator care, skilled nursing, long-term and end-of-life care, as well as assisted living and memory care. For more information, visit the website dovehealthcare.com.