

BECOME A TRAINED FEEDING ASSISTANT

TRAINING FOR NON-NURSING STAFF TO ASSIST RESIDENTS WITH MEALS AND SNACKS

WHY BECOME A FEEDING ASSISTANT?

Improve your residents' care experience...

- Residents receive more one-on-one time at meals and snacks when facilities utilize trained feeding assistants
- Residents enjoy the increased attention and social interaction
- CNAs comments on trained feeding assistants:
 - "The more [feeding assistants], the merrier; it allows us to spend more time with the residents"
 - "Having them [feeding assistants] help means residents don't have to wait as long to eat."

Improve sense of teamwork and morale among staff...

- Part of an "All Hands on Deck" philosophy
- CNAs at facilities with trained feeding assistants appreciated the teamwork approach to care (i.e., that everyone was working together for the residents)

Increase your interaction with residents...

- Get to know your residents better by helping them at meal or snack time
- Feedback from previous trained feeding assistants:
 - "I love my residents"
 - "I enjoy interacting with residents at meal time"



TRAINING REQUIREMENTS:

- 8-hour course
 - Eight webinars
 - Led by nurse, dietitian, & gerontologist
- Performance (Skills) or Written Evaluation

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE IN TRAINING?

- Contact: