

Occupation	Length of Program & Training Requirements	Cost Per Credit Hour	Program Tuition & Costs <i>*Books not included</i>	Licensing Entity	Additional Requirements & Prerequisites
Emergency Medical Responder	25 hours of lecture & 20 hours of lab	\$185	NIACC: \$876	IHHS (BETS)	
Emergency Medical Technician	70 hrs. of lecture; 60 hrs. of lab; 18 clinical hrs.; 12 hrs. ambulance ride time	\$185 \$208	NIACC: \$2070 DMACC: \$1100	IHHS (BETS)	√ Must be 17 to start program & 18 to work. √ Training must be at one of 19 providers authorized by IDPH
Paramedic	2 semesters of classroom training; 284 hours hospital clinical time, 360 hours supervised internship; 12 calendar months	\$208 \$216.5	*UIHC: \$8000 DMACC: \$9200 IA Central: 129792	IHHS (BETS)	√ IA EMT Certification (NREMT) √ HS grad or equivalent √ Must be 17
Certified Nursing Assistant	State approved 75-hour CNA Training Program. First 45 hours are classroom/lab and 30 hours of clinical at nursing facility & must pass the nurse aide competency exam.	\$208 \$206.5 \$187	*DMACC: \$549 *NICC: \$625 *EICC: \$654	IA Health Facilities (DIA)	√ Must be 16 √ Criminal background check req. √ Must have HSD or equivalent to apply for certification.
Licensed Practical Nurse	2-3 Terms (Approx. 41 – 46 credit hours to complete diploma).	\$210 \$196	*Hawkeye CC: \$8428 * IA Lakes CC: \$9016	IA Board of Nursing	√ Must be 18 and have HSD √ Must pass the National Council Licensure Examination-Practical Nurse (NCLEX-PN) in Iowa.
Registered Nurse	Associate Degree in Nursing (1.5 – 2 yrs. to complete). Program prepares students for the RN role at a basic level.	\$210 \$186 \$196	*Hawkeye CC: \$14070 Kirkwood: \$27,029.11 *IA Lakes CC: \$16,660	IA Board of Nursing	√ Must be 18 and have HSD √ Must pass the National Council Licensure Examination-RN (NCLEX-PN) in Iowa.
Direct Support Professional (Levels I II III)	Estimated 8-week program. IA Prepare to Care Training Curriculum available statewide.	\$186 \$206.5	Kirkwood: GAP Funds NICC: \$750	IDPH	√ Certificate of completion will be awarded after successfully completing the course.

					√ National affiliation available through Home - NADSP
Community Health Worker	CHW Professional Skills Training Non-Credit Certificate. 23 weekly online sessions, each 90 minutes in duration, along with supplemental reading and assignments. Optional onsite or virtual sessions will also be provided to fortify the learning experience.	\$208	Iowa Chronic Care Consortium (IACCC) *\$1,200 DMACC – Human Services Certificate (2 semesters 27 credits) *\$6206	IACCC	√ (DMACC) also offers a CHW Professional Skills Training non-credit certificate for those successfully completing the course work through ICC √ National affiliation available through NACHW – National Association of Community Health Workers
Substance Abuse/Behavioral Health Counselor	Substance Abuse Counseling AAS Degree	\$196	Iowa Lakes (2-year program 68 credits) *\$13,328	IA Board of Cert.	√ Substance Abuse Counseling Certification in Iowa. https://iowabc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/tCADC-CADC-IADC-IAADC-Handbook-Jan.-2022.pdf Certification requirements: 24 semester hours (or 33 quarter hours) of college level credit in substance abuse or its related fields AND, a minimum of 150 clock hours of relevant education is required AND Six months full-time (or 1,000 clock hours) of supervised experience in substance abuse counseling within the past three years. (See handbook for detailed educational requirements).
* Indicates total amount does NOT include books and other materials. Program cost and tuition are <i>estimates</i> only and may not reflect exact program costs.					