Health Pathway
Personal Care Attendant Certificate

The Allied Health programs include Emergency Medical Technician Basic (EMT-Basic), Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate (EMT-I), Personal Care Attendant (PCA-Home Health Aid), Nursing Assistant (CNA), and Phlebotomy Technical (PBT). Each program is designed in a short-term format featuring hands-on, skills-based learning techniques in the UNM-Valencia Health Sciences Lab followed by clinical skills training in various healthcare settings speicific to each course. A UNM certificate is awarded upon successful completion of each of the Allied Health programs.

Fall

Course	Credits
PACA 1110: Personal Care Attendant	5
Total Program Credit Hours = 5	

Meet with your academic

Apply for FAFSA by October 1st

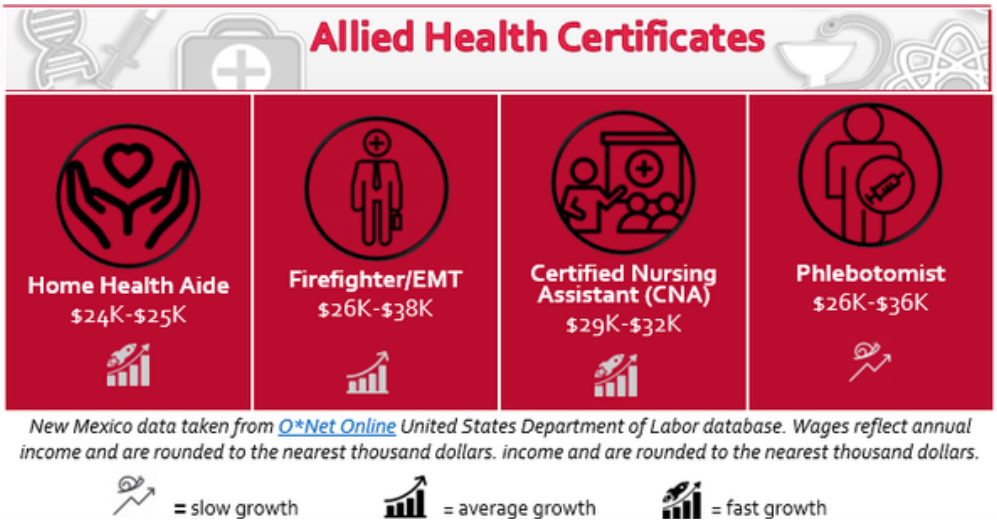
Meet with Financial Aid Apply for scholarships

Meet with your Faculty Mentor

Apply for graduation and/ or transfer

Career and Educational Advancement Opportunities

Students may enroll in any of the allied health programs offered at UNM-Valencia as they build on basic skills required for the provision of care at various levels in the healthcare field. For example, PCAs are in demand in assisted living facilities and home healthcare. Prospective nursing students may be advised to take the CNA program before enrolling in local nursing schools. Students who intend to transfer to a four-year college or university may enroll in the Associate of Science in General Science, which provides the academic core required for many careers in healthcare.



For questions or to schedule a time to meet with an Advisor/Academic Success Coach about this program contact: Advisement at 505.925-8907. Map Current as of the 2026-2027 Academic Year.