

A Summary of Types of Home Care Services and Who Provides Them

Title	Also Called	Job Description
Companions	Friends and Family	Be there for you
Personal Care Aides	Caregiver, Home Care Aide, Personal Care Assistant, Personal Care Assistant	In addition to assisting with activities of daily living (ADL's), they also help with housekeeping, chores, meal preparation, and medication management
Nursing Assistants	Certified Nursing Assistant, Certified Nursing Aide, Nursing Attendant, Nursing Aide	Assist with ADL's including rising out of bed, bathing, dressing, feeding, toileting, walking or exercising; turn or re-position bedridden patients; record vital signs and dietary intake as well as urinary and fecal output; assist with medications or treatments as directed
Home Health Aides	Certified Home Health Aide, Home Health Attendant, Home Care Aide	In addition to helping with ADL's they may perform simple wound care , blood pressure readings, and other minor medical activities
Licensed Practical Nurse	Licensed Vocational Nurses	Takes vital signs, administers medication, places catheters, dresses wounds, and carries out healthcare instructions created by the RN, physician, and other care team members

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Registered Nurse		<p>Registered nurses have a broad spectrum of responsibilities – contributing to patients' care plans, administering medication, providing advice and emotional support to patients</p> <p>May further specialize</p>

* Vary from state to state: <https://www.ncsbn.org/nursing-regulation/licensure/nurse-licensure-guidance.page>

- For Personal Care Aides search here: <https://www.phinational.org/advocacy/personal-care-aide-training-requirements/>

- For Certified Nursing Assistants search here: <https://www.registerednursing.org/certified-nursing-assistant/certification/>

- For Home Health Aides search here: <https://www.phinational.org/advocacy/home-health-aide-training-requirements-state-2016/>

- For LPN's search here: <https://www.nursingworld.org/content-hub/resources/becoming-a-nurse/how-to-become-a-licensed-practical-nurse/>

- For RN's search here: <https://nursinglicensemap.com/>

+ All states require a background check to be registered or licensed

To verify registration: Search {state} Board of Health or Department of Social Services; To verify licensure: Search {state} Board of Nursing