

Community Health



College of Rural Alaska

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CHA/P Training Centers:

Anchorage CHA Training Program, ANMC **(907) 729-2427**

Norton Sound Health Corporation, Nome **(907) 443-3404**

Southeast Alaska Regional Health Cons, Sitka **(907) 966-8758**

Tanana Chiefs Conference, Inc., Fairbanks **(907) 452-8251, ext. 3410**

Yukon-Kuskokwim Health Corp., Bethel **(907) 543-6150**

Certificate; Degree: A.A.S.

Minimum Requirements for Certificate: 34 credits; for Degree: 60 credits

The Community Health Aide/Practitioner (CHA/P) Training Program prepares residents to provide primary health care services in villages, under the supervision of a referral physician. CHA/P employment by a regional health corporation is a prerequisite for entering this unique training program.

The educational program consists of four basic training sessions. Each training session is four weeks long and is followed by a field component in the CHA's village clinic. The curriculum includes the knowledge and skills necessary to provide acute care for common medical problems, emergency care, follow-up care for patients with chronic illnesses and preventive services including prenatal and well child care. The training also includes a state-approved emergency care course, completion of a skills checklist, a supervised clinical preceptorship and passing the CHP statewide examination.

Upon successful completion of all certification requirements, a certificate as a Community Health Practitioner (CHP) is awarded by the training center.

Students completing the training program also meet the requirements for a university certificate, recognizing the credits earned. These credits may be used to satisfy requirements for the A.A.S. degree.

The curriculum and certification process is kept uniform throughout the state by a CHA/P Academic Review Committee (ARC). This review committee has representation from the regional health corporations, training centers and university. ARC reports to the Association of CHA/P Program Directors and serves in an advisory role to the dean of the College of Rural Alaska.

For more information about the CHA/P basic training program, contact one of the CHA/P training centers. For more information about the A.A.S. degree, contact the Kuskokwim Campus.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

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Community Health—Certificate

1. Complete the certificate requirements (page 30).
2. Complete the following:*

CHP 131—Community Health Aide, Session I	8
CHP 132—Community Health Aide, Session II	8
CHP 133—Community Health Aide, Session III	8
CHP 134—Community Health Aide, Session IV	8
CHP 135—Community Health Aide, Preceptorship	2
3. Minimum credits required

* This sequence replaces the CHP 120 series listed in the UAF 1992-93 catalog. The course designator changes represent the addition of CHP 134 and the integration of the field experience within each 8-credit session.

Note: The student may take CHP 082 prior to CHP 131 as an option when regionally available.

Community Health—A.A.S. Degree

1. Complete the general university requirements (page 28).
2. Complete the A.A.S. degree requirements (page 31).
3. Complete the following program (major) requirements:*
 - a. Complete the following:

CHP 131—Community Health Aide, Session I	8
CHP 132—Community Health Aide, Session II	8
CHP 133—Community Health Aide, Session III	8
CHP 134—Community Health Aide, Session IV	8
CHP 135—Community Health Aide, Preceptorship	2
 - b. Complete 5 or more credits from the following:

CHP 203—Clinical Update for Community Health Practitioners	1-3
CHP 206—Mental Health and Substance Abuse	1-3
CHP 207—Maternal and Infant Health	1-3
CHP 208—Communicable Diseases	1-3
CHP 211—Health Education	1-3
CHP 212—Diabetes: Primary Prevention and Village Medical Care	1-3
CHP 214—Cancer: Risks, Diagnosis and Treatment	3
CHP 215—Death and Dying	3
CHP 220—Women's Health: Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening	2
CHP 250—Current Issues in Rural Health Care**	1-3
CHP 293—Special topic courses	
EMS—any 200-level courses	
HLTH—any 200-level courses	
4. Complete electives
5. Minimum credits required

* Student must earn a C grade or better in each course.

** May repeat up to 3 credits toward A.A.S. degree.



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