

NURSING

Career Pathways Overview

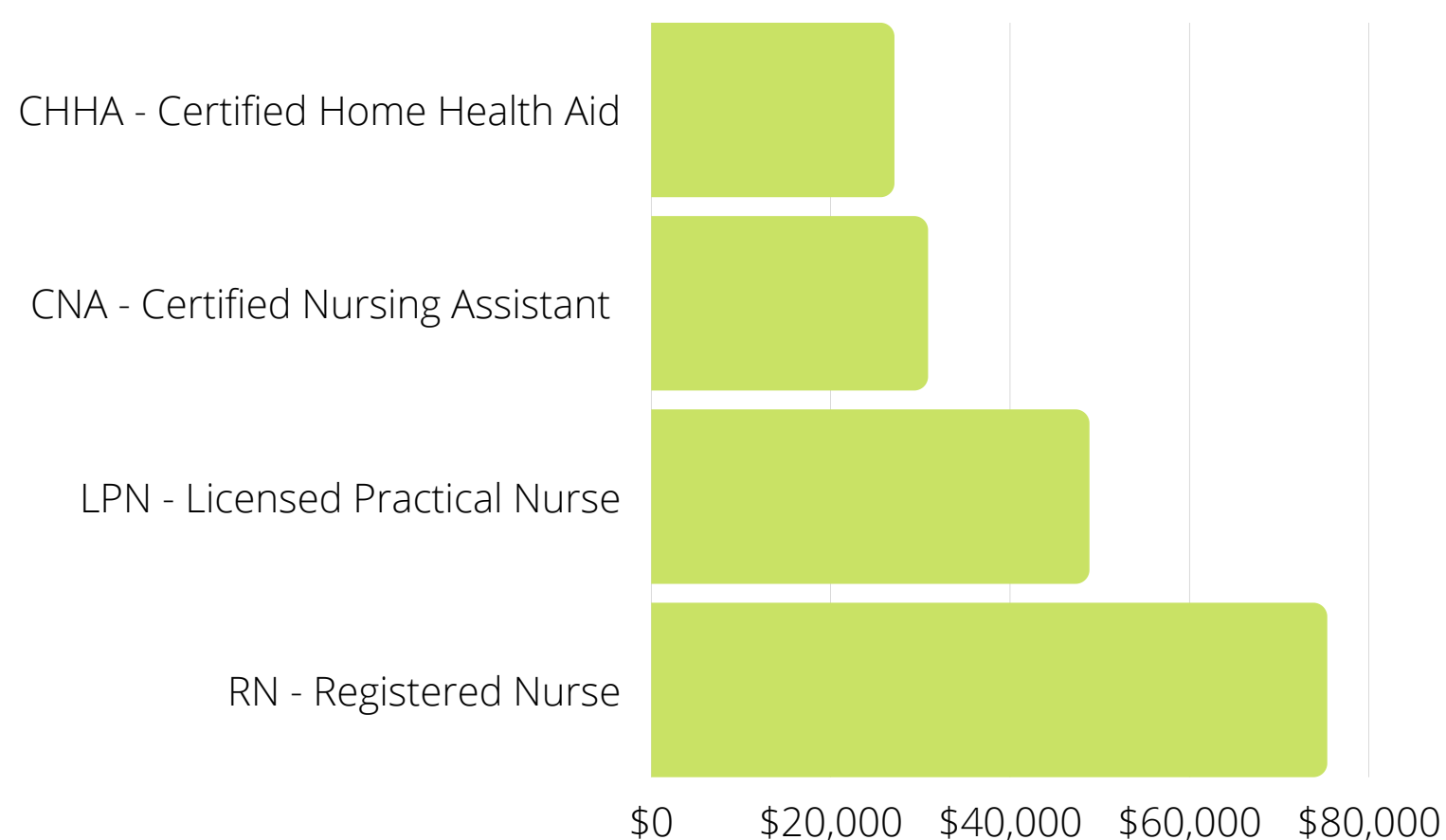


OVERVIEW

Nurses are hands-on health professionals who provide focused and highly personalized care. Nurses promote health, prevent disease, and help patients cope with illness. The primary job of a nurse is to work with physicians and other healthcare workers to treat their patients.

THE STATISTICS

Nursing is a career in which your ideas can change the lives of others, and even healthcare itself. As the US population ages, there's an ever-greater need for qualified nurses to provide the necessary care. The National median ranges are listed below and are directly correlated with education and experience. The outlook for this pathway is projected to grow 19% from 2019 - 2029.



PATHWAY



CERTIFIED HOME
HEALTH AIDE



CERTIFIED NURSING
ASSISTANT



LICENSED PRATICAL
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CERTIFIED HOME HEALTH AIDE

Home Health Aides, with guidance from a registered nurse, assist patients with their basic living activities in home settings or residential facilities.

Credentials Required: High School Diploma, Vocational Technical Degree plus certification

Outlook: Projected 34% growth between 2019-2029

CERTIFIED NURSES ASSISTANT

Certified Nurses Assistants/Nurses Aides/Patient Care Technicians attend to patient comfort and treatment, particularly those who are bedridden and need assistance with daily tasks.

Credentials Required: High School Diploma, High School Diploma, Vocational Technical Degree plus certification

Outlook: Projected 8% growth between 2019-2029

LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE

Licensed Practical Nurses work with doctors and registered nurses on direct patient care and maintain close supervision of patients' symptoms and reactions to medication.

Credentials Required: High School Diploma, High School Diploma, Vocational Technical Degree plus certification

Outlook: Projected 9% growth between 2019-2029

REGISTERED NURSE

Registered Nurses offer health information and provide direct patient care to patients and their families in close coordination with other health care professionals.

Credentials Required: Associate's degree in Nursing or a Bachelor's degree in Nursing required; State certification

Outlook: Projected 7% growth between 2019-2029