



Abby Care

Empowering the next generation of family caregivers

In the state of Pennsylvania, family caregivers of children with **special needs and disabilities** can get **paid to take care of their children through Medicaid.**

By becoming a **Home Health Aide**, families can get paid for the work that they're already doing so they can **focus on what matters: their little one.**



At Abby Care, our starting rate is **\$14/hour.**

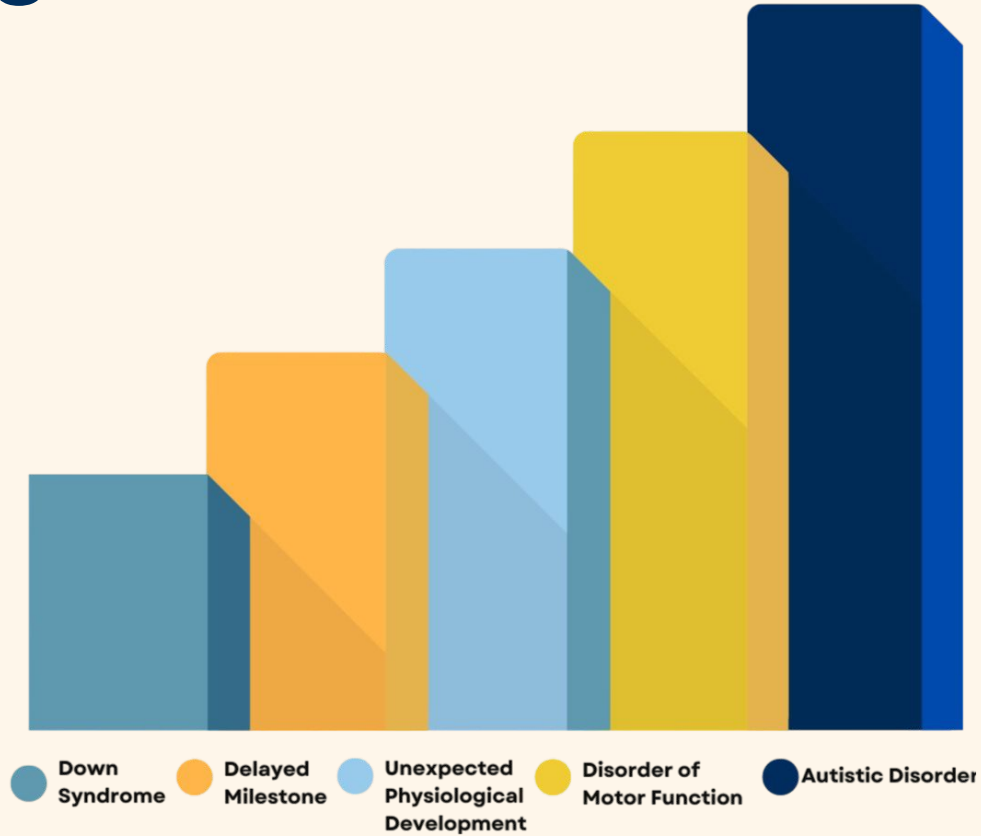
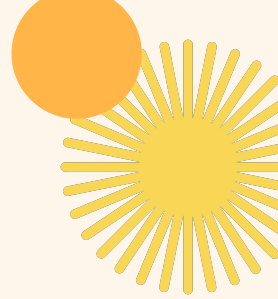


Who can join the program?

- Parents or family members of **children with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities** (Autism, Down Syndrome, Cerebral Palsy, Spina Bifida, Developmental Delay, ect).
- Depending on the specific diagnosis and needs, the child qualifies for a number of **unskilled care hours per day**.
- The child must be on **Medicaid**, or eligible for Medicaid.
 - We currently are working with UPMC for You, Highmark Wholecare, Geisinger, United Health Care, AmeriHealth Caritas, and Keystone.
- Our program is for children (0-20). We do not currently offer adult or senior care.



Top 5 Diagnosis



Our process of becoming a Family HHA

Interest Form

Interest Form:
60 seconds

Fill this out so we can contact you!

Clinical Review

Intake Form:
5-20 minutes

After intake approval request Letter of Medical Necessity

HHA Training

1. Virtual lessons:
59 hours

2. In-person labs:
16 hours

Competency Exam

1. State Exam:
1 hour - virtual

2. Agency Exam:
1 hour - virtual

Start of Care

CONGRATS!

You're officially a **HHA!** We'll guide you through start of care.

Entire Process: 8-10 Weeks



Training Requirements

Training is mandated by the state of Pennsylvania for all Home Health Aides



Requirements:

- FBI Fingerprints
- Child Abuse Clearance
- PA State Background Check
- TB Test
- CPR Certification
 - Online and In-Person
- Home Health Aide Training
 - 59 hours of online lessons
 - 2 days of in-person Labs
- Final Exam & Agency Exam



Training Duration: 6-8 Weeks

*highly dependent on parent availability and schedule



Home Health Aide Training

- 59 hours of Online Training
 - Videos, Quizzes, Readings and two Final Written Exams
- 2 days of In-Person Labs (16 hours)
 - Learn important skills from RN Instructor



The screenshot displays the CareAcademy dashboard. At the top left, there is a logo for CareAcademy and a 'Dashboard' button. On the top right, there is a search bar and a notification icon. The main content area shows 'Total Number of Courses' with two statistics: 60 Enrolled Courses and 0 Completed Courses. Below this, three course cards are listed:

- Communicating with Older Adults**: Not Started - Enrolled on 12 Jun 2024. Description: Communicating with Older Adults | Having conversations with an older adult can sometimes be hard, especially if he or she has an impairment such as hearing loss or memory loss. In t... [Read more](#). Progress: 0% (8 Modules). Button: Start.
- Time Management and Organizational Skills**: Not Started - Enrolled on 12 Jun 2024. Description: Time Management and Organizational Skills | This class will teach caregivers the importance of time management. Caregivers will learn to determine priorities, set goals, and manage th... [Read more](#). Progress: 0% (8 Modules). Button: Start.
- What Does it Mean to Be a Professional Caregiver?**: In Progress - Last entered on 23 Jul 2024. Description: What Does it Mean to Be a Professional Caregiver? | In this class, we show new and experienced caregivers how to prepare to meet clients. We discuss professionalism, how to interact w... [Read more](#). Progress: 33% (9 Modules). Button: Resume.



What will this mean for families?



Their child will be getting the **best care possible**



Parents will **receive compensation for the care they provide** to their child



Parents will have a **team of medical professionals** to help them provide the best care possible to their child



Parents will have access to a **community of families just like them**

Community, Empowerment & Support



Circle (Online Community):

Community platform for Abby Care families, connection, friendship building, and sharing of resources



Community Events:

Virtual and in-person events to form friendships, support each other, meet providers, and learn new useful information



Weekly Check-Ins:

Study sessions during training, emotional and tactical support, resource sharing, scheduling support, etc.



Language Support:

Spanish training available, along with bilingual staff every step of the way (hired HHAs are required to read, write, speak, and understand English)



Community

- Welcome/Intros 6
- Family Conversations 6
- Announcements 2
- Events Calendar 1
- Random! 1
- Kudos
- CO Resource Hub
- Abby Care Recommendations
- CNA Training
- Frequently Asked Questions
- Recommendations by You!
- Abby Guides
- CO Centro Español
- Anuncios y Conversaciones... 7



Hope You Had a Spooky Halloween! Share ...

Abbie Sampson Abby Care · 16 days ago
Community Outreach

We've been up to some Spooktacular things this October! 🎃👻 We hope your family had a great Halloween filled with lots of fun, costumes, and of course candy! 🍬🍬🍬 Enjoy Julia VanHagene, Alejandro Garcia, and it's silly costumes 🤡🤡🤡 We would love to see what costumes your family had on, comment below!

Un espacio nuevo en Circle para nuestras familias hispanohablantes! Share ...






Emily Abby Care · 15 days ago
Community Manager

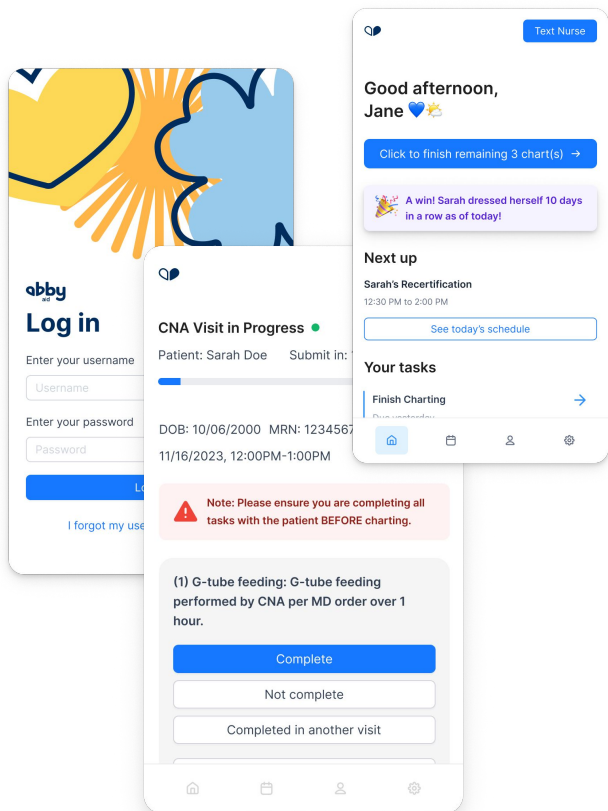
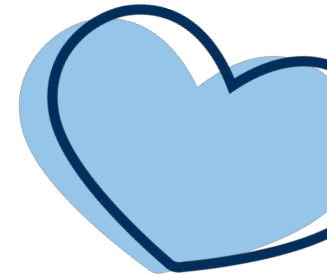
¡Estamos muy entusiasmados a anunciar nuestro espacio nuevo en Circle para nuestras familias hispanohablantes! Pueden ver este video desde Candy a encontrar más, y el espacio y los canales están a la izquierda en la barra lateral con el nombre "Centro Español."



 Online Event Recordings (January-June 2024)	 Transportation	 Internet/Phone Services
 Waiver Resources	 Tax Resources	 Clothing

The Abby Care Difference

-  **Bilingual** - Spanish-speaking support every step of the way
-  **Free of Cost** - Includes training, supplies, testing, community events, etc
-  **Community** - Online connection, free/accessible events, support calls, etc
-  **Flexible Training** - Self-paced training that can be done remotely to adapt to a caregiver's busy schedule
-  **Support** - Weekly check-in calls, study sessions, refreshers, and assistance with other barriers throughout training




AbbyAid

AbbyAid is our homegrown caregiving app, was developed to improve patient outcomes and caregiver experience:


- **Less steps** to chart
- More time spent **focusing on care**
- Accurate charting in **real time**
- **Clinical insight** on patient updates
- Enables **fraud and risk prevention features** to ensure quality care is delivered and be leaders in compliance

Abby Care follows compliance of Home Health Regulations in accordance with PA Department of Health and CMS guidelines for all employees and patients in order to maintain data integrity



 Sign in with Google



Good afternoon,
Jane  

[Click to finish remaining 3 visit\(s\) →](#)

Next up

Sarah's Recertification

12:30 PM to 2:00 PM

[See today's schedule](#)

Your tasks

Finish Visit Charting 

Due yesterday

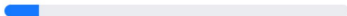
Upload CPR documentation 

Due yesterday



CNA Visit in Progress 

Patient: Sarah Doe Submit in: 10 min

 1/14 tasks

DOB: 03/14/2015 MRN: 123456789

06/15/2024, 12:00PM-1:00PM

(1) Assist with/complete urinary hygiene

Complete

Not complete


Completed in another visit

Instructions 

Minimum to moderate assistance with urinary hygiene. Assist while ensuring proper hygiene, safety, positioning, and standard best practice during task.

Where to Reach Us

 Interest Form: abbycare.org/contact

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