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Community Health Workers are trained advocates in communities where they are connected by culture, language, or residence. They empower individuals to gain access to health and community resources through education, outreach, home visits, mentoring, and referrals.

The Community Health Worker certificate prepares students to work in varied settings, including community-based health and social service agencies, and home visitation programs. Practicum experiences in the community are a major component of the certificate. Graduates of the certificate program have diverse skills including interviewing, collecting data, obtaining vital signs, mentoring, providing client advocacy, providing referrals to community resources, care coordination, promoting basic health, and working with culturally diverse clients and community organizations.

Up to date immunization verification and physical exam are required prior to practicum placement. Upon successful completion of the program, graduates are qualified to apply to the Ohio Board of Nursing for a certificate to practice as a Certified Community Health Worker. A BCI (civilian) and FBI (federal) criminal records check is required by the Ohio Board of Nursing with application for the certificate to practice.

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Program Prerequisite: Student must meet with the program coordinator prior to enrolling in the program.

Semester 1		Credits
CHW 100	Community Health Worker Training	4
MCH 106	Health and Wellness Promotion	2
Semester 2		
MCH 116	Cultural Competency for Health and Public Safety Professions	3
CHW 180	Community Health Worker Practicum	3
Total Credits:		12