

**map**  
*what comes next*



**FREE**  
**online**  
*interactive training*

*Designed for transition-aged students  
who are deaf or hard of hearing.*

*Designed to verify compliance with Indicator 13.*

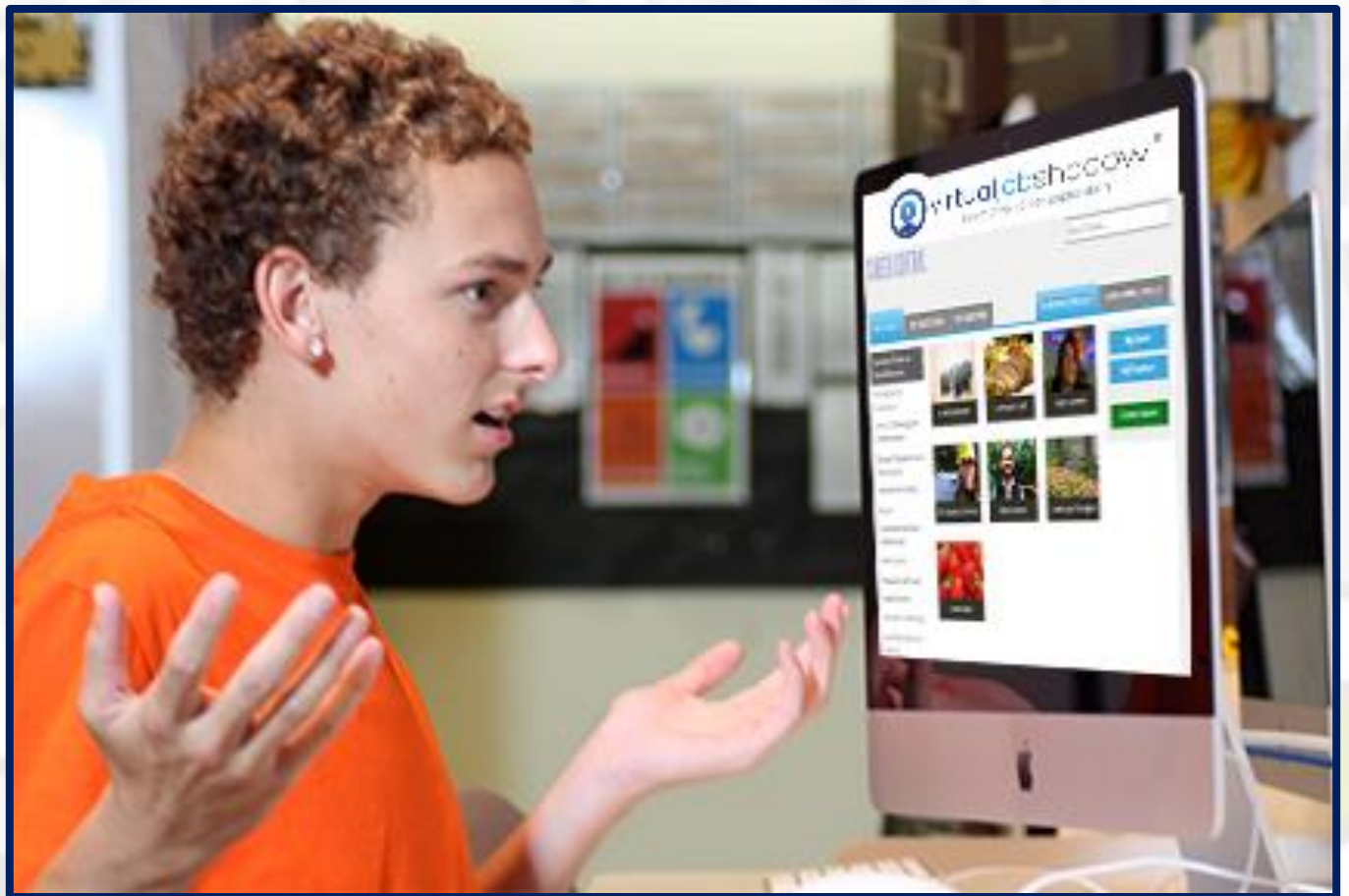
**Career Central**

Finding time for transition planning can be hard. Career Central is a quick and easy way for students to learn about different types of employment and other information that can help with decision making and goal setting; both annually and after high school.

Students can learn about a career interest. Each career takes about 20 minutes to explore.

Students can also start, save, and print resumes, save career information, and identify additional job interests.

Career Central is a free tool found in the transition training, Map It: What Comes Next, from pepnet 2.



# What is Career Central

Jobs are organized into groups called Career Clusters. Your students can learn about jobs they are interested in by reading about them. Some have video interviews they can watch to learn more.

The screenshot shows the 'virtualjobshadow' website's 'CAREER CENTRAL' page. The navigation bar includes 'Careers', 'Colleges', 'Jobs', and 'Tools'. A search bar and a user profile icon are also present. The main content area features a 'Filter By' section with buttons for 'CLUSTER', 'EDUCATION', 'INDUSTRY', 'GREEN', and 'INTEREST'. The 'CLUSTER' button is highlighted with a red box, and a red arrow points to a list of career clusters on the left side of the page. The list includes: Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources; Architecture and Construction; Arts, A/V Technology and Communications; Business, Management and Administration; Education and Training; Finance; Government and Public Administration; **HEALTH SCIENCE**; Hospitality and Tourism; Human Services; Information Technology; and Law, Public Safety and Security. Below the filters, a grid of 12 job cards is displayed, each with a video thumbnail and a job title: Certified Medical Assistant, Certified Nursing Assistant..., Emergency Medical Services, Health Geographer, Health Information Director, Hospital Admissions Represe..., Laboratory Assistant Techni..., Laboratory Research Technic..., Nurse - Critical Care, Nurse - Operating Room, Nurse - Trauma, and Nutritionist. A 'SEE CAREERS WITHOUT VIDEOS' button is located at the bottom right of the grid.

All videos in Career Central are captioned and have English and Spanish transcripts available. For best user experience, click the CC button to turn on captions before starting each video.

## LABORATORY ASSISTANT TECHNICIAN

KATHY KAROUNI, HUNTINGTON LABS



Transcriptions:













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My name is Kathy Karouni. I'm 25 years old, and I'm originally from Iran, Tehran. Right now, we're trying to find a way to identify high-risk patients that have cervical cancer. There's a lot of diseases out there that affect the human body which we don't know the cure for them. When we do research, we basically try to come up with something that adds up to our information about the disease-- why it's caused and how we can stop it, or at the end, find out a drug or a cure for that.

If a student's goal is to become an aide in a nursing home, the student would click on the **Health Science** Career Cluster link in the menu on the left, and then find information on becoming a **Home Health and Professional Care Aide**. If that job isn't the right fit, there are many other jobs in this cluster to explore.

Architecture and Construction	 Athletic Trainers	 Audiologists	 Cardiovascular Technologist...
Arts, A/V Technology and Communications			
Business, Management and Administration			
Education and Training			
Finance			
Government and Public Administration			
<b>HEALTH SCIENCE</b>	 Dental Assistants	 Dental Hygienists	 Dental Laboratory Technicia...
Hospitality and Tourism			
Human Services			
Information Technology			
Law, Public Safety and Security	 Diagnostic Medical Sonograp...	 Epidemiologists	 Fitness Trainers and Instru...
Manufacturing			
Marketing, Sales and Service			
Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics	 Health Educators	 Home Health and Personal Ca...	 Licensed Practical and Lice...
Transportation, Distribution and Logistics			

Students will learn about job duties, education and training requirements, annual salary, and job prospects. This information will help students understand their options as they make decisions about their postsecondary goals.



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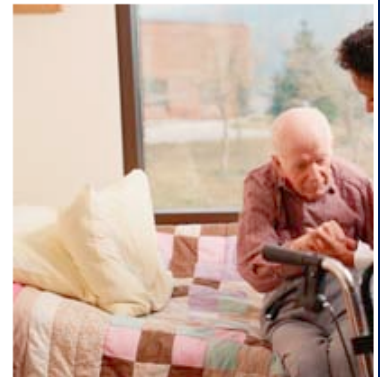
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# HOME HEALTH AIDES

## Summary

### Career Description

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### Required Education

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### Earnings

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### Future Outlook

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### Duties

Home health aides typically do the following:

- Help clients in their daily personal tasks, such as bathing or dressing
- Provide basic health-related services according to a client's needs, such as checking vital signs or administering prescribed medication at scheduled times
- Do light housekeeping, such as laundry, washing dishes, and vacuuming in a client's home
- Organize a client's schedule and plan appointments
- Arrange transportation to doctors' offices or for other kinds of outings
- Shop for groceries and prepare meals to a client's dietary specifications
- Provide companionship







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Although a high school diploma or equivalent is not generally required, most home health aides have one before entering the occupation. Some formal education programs may be available from community colleges or vocational schools.

## Licenses, Certifications, And Registrations

Home health aides who work for agencies that receive reimbursement from Medicare or Medicaid must get a minimum level of training and pass a competency evaluation or receive state certification. Training includes learning about personal hygiene, reading and recording vital signs, infection control, and basic nutrition. Aides may take a competency exam to become certified without taking any training. These are the minimum requirements by law; additional requirements for certification vary by state.





# HOME HEALTH AIDES

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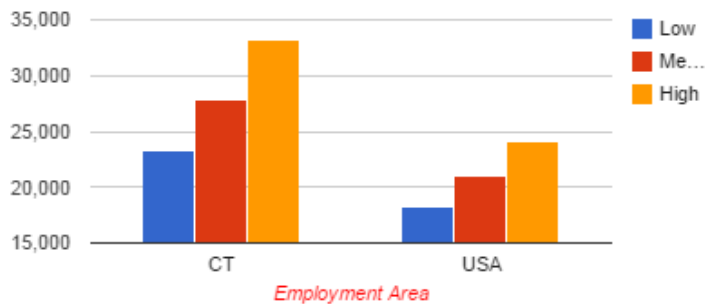
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Average Annual Salaries for Connecticut



State:

Connecticut ▼

ANNUALLY

HOURLY

The median annual wage for home health aides was \$20,820 in May 2012. The median wage is the wage at which half the workers in an occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less. The lowest 10 percent earned less than \$16,600, and the top 10 percent earned more than \$29,250.

Most home health aides worked full time in 2012.

\*Some information provided by the U.S. Dept. of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics.



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## HOME HEALTH AIDES

### Future Outlook

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As the baby-boom population ages and the elderly population grows, the demand for home health aides to provide assistance and companionship will continue to increase. The older population often has health problems and will need help with daily activities.

Elderly and disabled clients increasingly rely on home care as a less expensive alternative to nursing homes or hospitals. Clients who need help with everyday tasks and household chores, rather than medical care, can reduce their medical expenses by returning to their homes.

Another reason for home care is that most clients prefer to be cared for in their homes, where they are most comfortable. Studies have found that home treatment is often more effective than care in a nursing home or hospital.

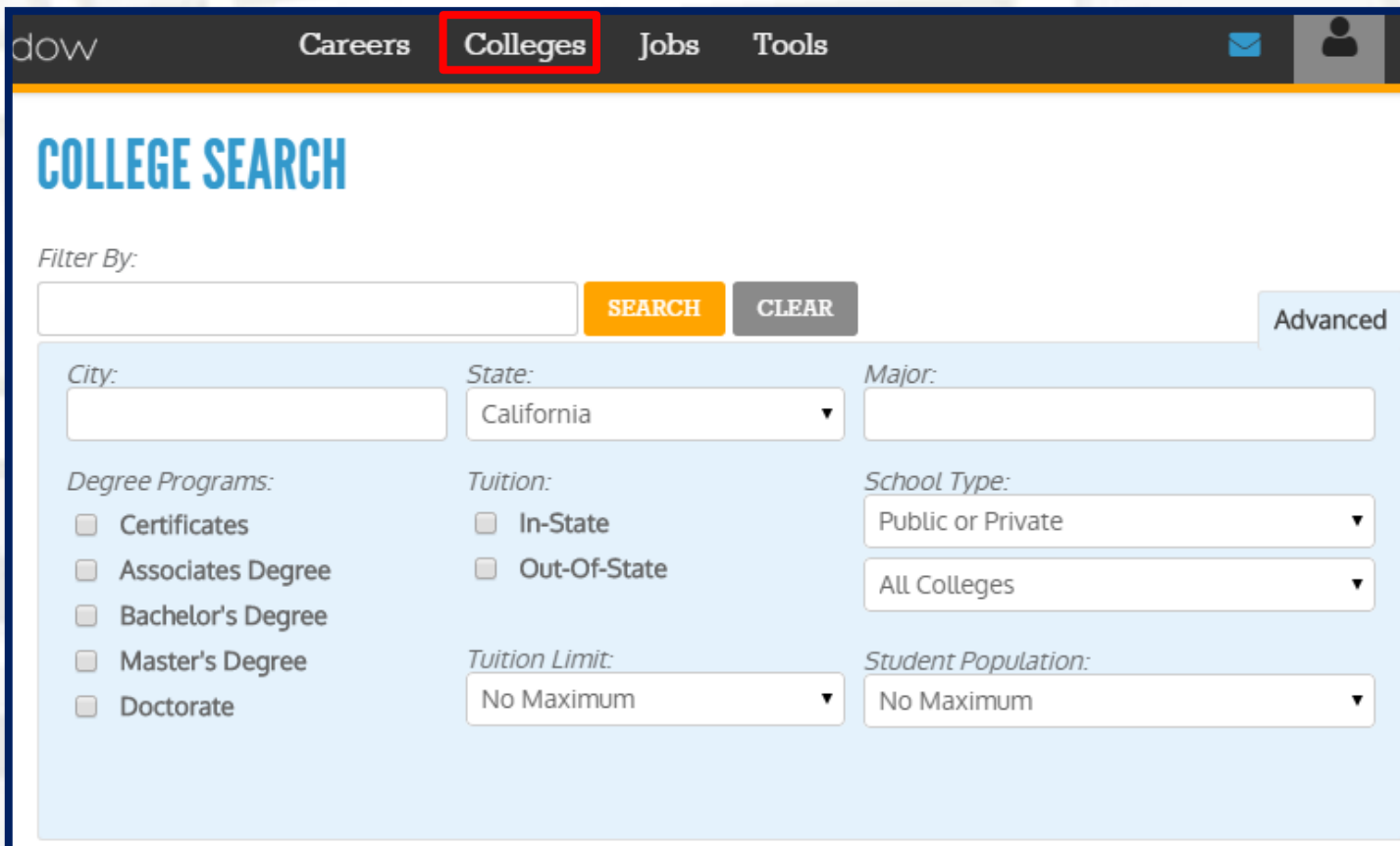
### Job Prospects

Job prospects for home health aides are excellent. This occupation is large and expected to grow very quickly, thus adding many jobs. In addition, the low pay and high emotional demands may cause many workers to leave this occupation, and they will have to be



Students can search for colleges or training programs to meet their needs. They can search by:

- Degree Program
- State
- In-State or Out-of-State Tuition
- Type of School
- Student Population Size





The screenshot shows a web interface for college search. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the following items: 'dow', 'Careers', 'Colleges' (highlighted with a red box), 'Jobs', and 'Tools'. On the right side of the navigation bar, there is a blue envelope icon and a user profile icon. Below the navigation bar, the main heading is 'COLLEGE SEARCH'. Underneath the heading, there is a 'Filter By:' label followed by a search input field, a yellow 'SEARCH' button, and a grey 'CLEAR' button. To the right of the search buttons is an 'Advanced' button. The search filters are organized into three columns:

- City:** An empty text input field.
- State:** A dropdown menu currently showing 'California'.
- Major:** An empty text input field.
- Degree Programs:** A list of radio button options: Certificates, Associates Degree, Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree, and Doctorate.
- Tuition:** A list of radio button options: In-State and Out-Of-State.
- School Type:** A dropdown menu currently showing 'Public or Private'.
- Tuition Limit:** A dropdown menu currently showing 'No Maximum'.
- Student Population:** A dropdown menu currently showing 'No Maximum'.

Students can search for jobs or internships available. They can search by:

- Location
- Type of job (contract, full-time, part-time, internship, temporary)
- Salary

How Careers Colleges **Jobs** Tools  

## ADVANCED JOB SEARCH

With all of these words	<input type="text"/>
With the exact phrase	<input type="text"/>
With at least one of these words	<input type="text"/>
With none of these words	<input type="text"/>
With these words in the title	<input type="text"/>
From this company	<input type="text"/>
Show jobs of type	All job types ▼
Show jobs from	All web sites ▼
Salary estimate	<input type="text"/> per year ((\$50,000 or \$40K-\$90K))
<b>WHEN AND WHERE</b>	
within 25 miles of ▼	Northridge, CA (city, state, or zip)

Students can create their own resumes that are saved in Career Central.



## RESUME BUILDER

SAVE CHANGES

### GENERAL INFORMATION



Resume Name \*

First Name \*

Last Name \*

Middle Initial

Address 1

Address 2

City

State

Zip

Home Phone

Cell Phone

Email

### OBJECTIVE



### EDUCATION



### WORK EXPERIENCE



Tools

**RESUME BUILDER**

Playlist Builder

Assessments

Online Magazines

User Tutorials

They can also choose to view their resumes in Microsoft Word and/or print them.

Export to Word | Print | Close Window

# Ima Student

Address: 1234 Fake Address Somewhere AZ 12345

Cell: 777-222-2334

Home: 777-333-2345

Email: [ima.student@fakemail.com](mailto:ima.student@fakemail.com)

*To find an internship in the medical field.*

## **Education**

### **FakeSchool**

2010 - 2014

Clubs, Honors, Academic Bowl, Sports

## **Experience**

### **FakeShop**

2014-Present

Nail Technician - Sedona, AZ

- I am a secretary.

## **Achievements**

- I was on the honor roll three times.

## **Volunteer Experience**

- I volunteer with an animal shelter. I also volunteer in a homeless shelter.

## **Interests/Activities**

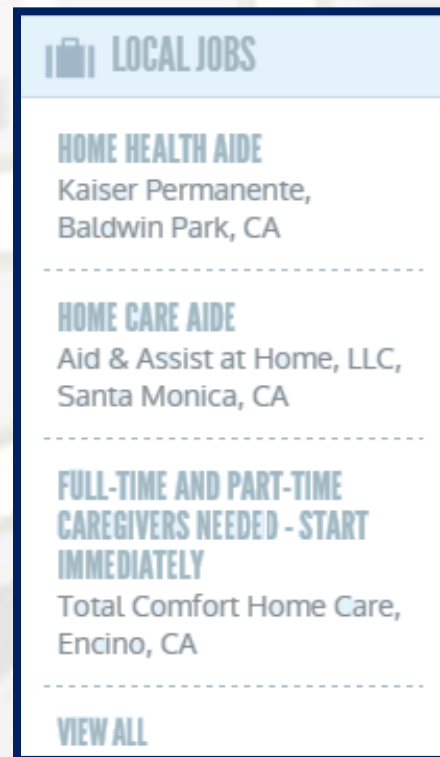
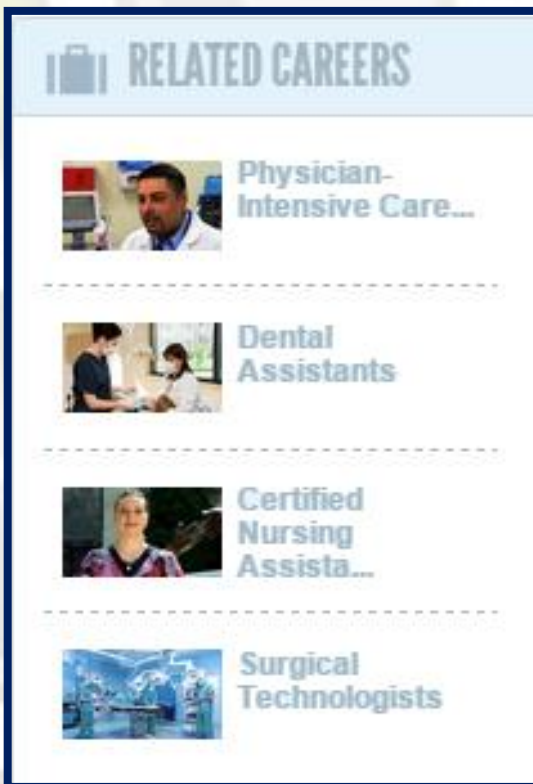
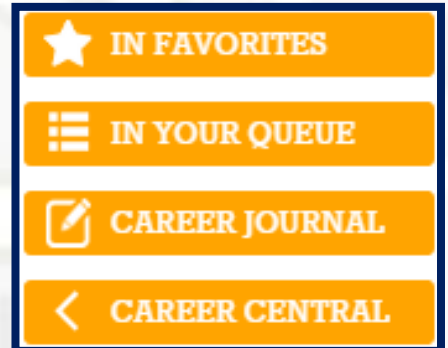
- I like to read, write, enjoy traveling.

## **Skills**

- I am fluent in 3 languages. I am good at Math and balancing a budget.

There are other cool features in Career Central that students can check out, too. Not all tools in Career Central are explored in the *Map It* training. Your students can use any many or as few of these tools as they would like.

- Add jobs to your favorite list
- Add videos to watch later
- Keep track of what you learn





With all that information in one place, it is easy for students to see if a job will be a good fit. Job related questions in *Map It* can be answered by exploring Career Central.

1. What are the duties and responsibilities for the job (job description)?
2. How much education or training is required?
3. Will the salary be enough to meet your needs?
4. Are there many jobs in this field (job outlook)?

Benefits of using Career Central:

- Explore different types of employment
- Learn about job requirements and other details
- “Job shadow” experience without leaving the classroom
- Identify next steps for career or transition planning





You can use the information compiled to support IEP goals, transition services, and activities. Your student can present their employment options or choices at their transition IEP meeting. Job shadowing or job experience could be set up based on the information a student learns about their interests and strengths.

Career Central can be used in many ways to reinforce transition planning that meets SPP Indicator 13 requirements in a quick and simple way!

visit [www.pepnet.org/e-learning/mapit](http://www.pepnet.org/e-learning/mapit) for:



- additional resources for teachers, transition specialists, parents, and vocational rehabilitation
- posters
- creating a pn2 account



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