- WAC 388-71-0990 Who is required to complete continuing education training, how many hours are required each year, and under what circumstances may the long-term care worker not be paid? (1) The following long-term care workers must complete 12 hours of continuing education by their birthday each year unless exempt from continuing education as described in WAC 388-71-1001:
  - (a) A certified home care aide;
- (b) A long-term care worker who is exempt from home care aide certification as described in RCW 18.88B.041;
  - (c) A certified nursing assistant;
- (d) A person with special education training and an endorsement granted by the Washington state office of superintendent of public instruction, as described in RCW 28A.300.010.
- (2) The continuing education requirements of this section do not apply to a registered nurse, a licensed practical nurse, or an advanced registered nurse practitioner licensed under chapter 18.79 RCW, even if voluntarily certified as a home care aide under chapter 18.88B RCW.
- (3) A long-term care worker or certified home care aide who did not complete the continuing education requirements by the time frame described in this section or in WAC 388-71-0991 must not be paid to provide care after that date and must not be reinstated as a long-term care worker until the worker has completed the continuing education requirements.

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