

Ocean County Vocational Technical School

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Student: Jamela Meziane

OCVTS Program: Medical Skills and Related Health Careers

Instructor: Mildred Fritz

Employer: Crestwood Manor, Whiting, NJ

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Class of: 2015

Center: Toms River

In Jamela's own words...My enrollment in the Medical Skills and Related Health Careers program has shaped me to be the best that I could ever be in the medical field. Attending OCVTS has given me countless knowledge and hands on training that equipped me for my future. Not only have I been prepared for the medical field, but I have developed essential skills for the work place, such as professionalism and useful work ethics. Obtaining my Certified Nursing Assistant license has been a great accomplishment in my high school career, and that was only made possible due to the dedicated staff at vocational school.

Thanks to OCVTS, I am currently employed at a retirement facility, Crestwood Manor located in Whiting. Being a part of Crestwood Manor has given me the opportunity to take my impactful experience at OCVTS and apply it to such a great facility. From the staff to the residents, it has been such an honor to use my passion in the community.



Millie Fritz, nominated Jamela as one of her success stories.

“Jamela added creativity and enthusiasm to our program while developing the personal care skills necessary to work in the health care field. Endowed with excellent communication skills, Jamela also learned assessment skills, restorative skills, and effective communication to work successfully in a number of health care settings. In addition to her regular classwork, Jamela represented the State of New Jersey at the Health Occupations Students of America National Championships in Anaheim, California as an extemporaneous speaker. As a current member of the health care industry, Jamela proudly represents the values taught at the Ocean County Vocational Technical School.”

At Crestwood Manor, Donna Mooney, Jamela's supervisor remarked, “It is a pleasure to have Jamela on our team. She is a dedicated employee who is always willing to pick up extra hours to help out the department. Jamela provides excellent care for her residents. She has a caring spirit and it shows in her work.”

Jamela has been employed at Crestwood Manor for almost a year. The smile on her face while attending to a resident, shows that she truly enjoys her job as a CNA. This is certainly a win-win situation and given the fact that Certified Nurse Assistant is a demand occupation in Ocean County, Jamela's future looks bright!