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### Why Do I Want To Be a Nurse?

Being a Certified Nursing Assistant for about three years has expanded my knowledge, experience, and love for the healthcare field. More importantly, I have worked with retired veterans at this particular nursing home – assisting them with their activities of daily living, a person to laugh with them and be with them during their last moments; that facility has been my backbone. The residents I grew to love and nurture, but soon passed away – I want to be able to prove, not only to myself but to them that I can be an effective, knowledgeable, and caring nurse in the future. Yet, I also know what defeat feels like, but you get back up again and keep trying. It is like a mountain; you stumble, get back up, stumble again, and by the time you know it ... you are a nurse!