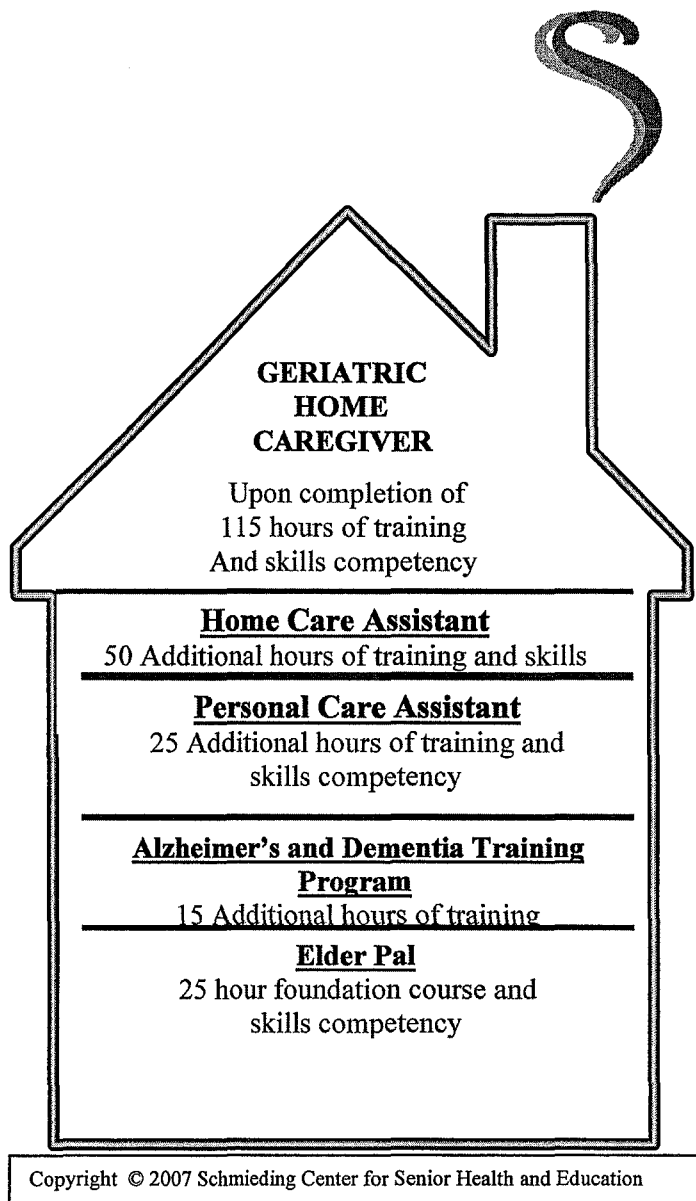




## Levels of Training

This section provides you with an overview of all levels of training as well as a detailed explanation of the various components of the Schmieding Certified Home Caregiver Training program.

The Schmieding Certified Home Caregiver Training curriculum focuses on the care of the older adult in the home setting is designed to be taught in four levels. The care house model shown below explains each level of training and demonstrates how each level builds upon the other.



Elder Pal is the first level of training and is designed to be taught in 25 hours. Within the allotted 25 hours, 16 hours of the schedule are dedicated to lecture/classroom time and 9 hours are allotted for skills practice and competency check off.

The Alzheimer's and Dementia Training program can be taken anytime after completion of the Elder Pal course.

Personal Care Assistant provides an additional 25 hours of training that builds on the skills and concepts learned in Elder Pal and focuses on "hands-on" personal care skills. Within in the 25 hours of personal care assistant training 14 hours are dedicated to classroom and 11 hours are allotted for skills practice and competency check off.

Home Care Assistant training provides 50 additional hours of training and focuses on the more advanced caregiving skills for in the home and long-term care setting. In the Home Care Assistant training 16.5 hours are dedicated to classroom, 17.5hours are allotted for skills practice and competency and 16 hours are allocated for off-site clinical experience.

Upon completion of all four levels of training the graduate may qualify to take the state nurse aide certification exam (this varies from state to state). Additional information regarding state certification is discussed later in this administrative manual.