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Phlebotomy

at Macomb Community College
CENTER FOR HEALTH CAREERS

There have never been as many careers in health care as there are right now. Whether you are interested in short-term training (9 months or less) to obtain a high demand, entry-level job, are already employed in health care and need to continue your education, or need help landing that first health care job, Macomb's Center for Health Careers has what you are looking for!

I asked a phlebotomist out for a date... she said I wasn't her type.

—Unknown

What Does a Phlebotomist Do?

If you've ever been a patient or a blood donor, you've been in the capable hands of a Phlebotomist. This health care professional draws blood and ensures the proper amount is taken and properly labeled.

Anyone who chooses this field has to be comfortable with blood, needles, test tubes and blood vials. You will draw blood, verify the patient's or blood donor's identity, and enter information into a database. You'll assemble and maintain equipment to prevent infections or other complications.

You'll likely spend your days in a hospital or lab, so be sure you're at ease in medical environments where people may be uncertain or worried about their health. However, if you enjoy working with people and are patient and compassionate, this could be the job for you.

Source: U.S. News & World Report, *Best Health Care Jobs*, <http://money.usnews.com/careers/best-jobs/phlebotomist>

The Program

The Phlebotomy Program is part of Macomb's Center for Health Careers offered through Workforce and Continuing Education. The program consists of one class of 40 contact hours. You'll learn beginning to advanced phlebotomy, while obtaining lab practice. You'll perform a minimum of 100 venipunctures.

After you have completed the required class, you will register for an 80–120 hour unpaid internship. We have internship sites at several Henry Ford Health Clinics and other local hospitals.

You will receive a Macomb Workforce & Continuing Education Certificate indicating that you have successfully completed the program (most students do so in about 3 months).

You will also be prepared to take the nationally recognized American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP) Exam for Phlebotomy after one year's experience.





LOOKING FOR A JOB?

Contact Career Services
586.445.7321
careerservices@macomb.edu

The Center for Health Careers has an Occupational Coordinator who will act as your liaison with Career Services.

For more information, contact Macomb's Center for Health Careers at 586.226.4807 or visit www.macomb.edu/healthcareers

For general information about Macomb Community College, call 866.Macomb1 (866.622.6621) or email answer@macomb.edu

Phlebotomy Exam Preparation

Anxious about your Phlebotomy Certification Test? Join us to review standards and practices for specimen collections including: phlebotomy equipment and importance to order of draw; universal precautions and safety; proper patient Identification; pre-analytical specimen errors; anatomic site selection, patient bill of rights (HIPPA); OSHA guidelines for disposal of needles and hazardous materials; infectious disease control; and anatomy and physiology of the circulatory system.

Certificate Requirements

You will take the following course:

Phlebotomy

Gain knowledge and skills to work as a Phlebotomist in medical facilities, or enhance your resume as a multi-skilled health care worker. Learn beginning to advanced phlebotomy, while obtaining laboratory practice. Perform a minimum of 100 venipunctures.

In addition, all students are required to submit to a criminal background check and drug screen. You will also need to meet any requirements as outlined by your internship site. This is at your own expense. These usually include a health screening, TB test, immunization titres, and uniform purchase.

Employment Outlook

A CAREER OPTION

The health care profession is in the spotlight and one of the fastest-growing fields in the U.S.

The average annual salary range for a Phlebotomist in Michigan is \$9.40-\$18.63 per hour. The projected growth nationally for this field is close to 27 percent through 2022, much faster than the average for all jobs.

Sources: America's Career Information Network and U.S. News & World Report, Best Health Care Jobs.



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