



PATIENT CARE TECHNICIAN

CERTIFICATE
16 CREDITS

The Patient Care Technician certificate equips individuals with the skills and knowledge needed to become integral members of a healthcare team. Patient Care Technicians (PCTs) are versatile health professionals who work under the supervision of nurses or physicians in hospital and clinic settings. Their responsibilities include responding to patient needs, assisting with personal hygiene, serving meals, supporting therapy sessions, and monitoring vital signs.

In addition, PCTs are trained to perform more advanced tasks such as drawing lab specimens, inserting and removing catheters, changing dressings, and more. Graduates are eligible to take certification exams in Phlebotomy, ECG Technician, and Patient Care Technician.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

- Patient Care Technician
- ECG Technician
- Phlebotomy Technician

KEY COURSES

- Medical Terminology and Body Systems for the Patient Support Provider
- Phlebotomy and ECG Skills for the Patient Care Technician
- Application of Infection Control and Safety Practices
- Health Assessment and Patient Care Skills
- Clinical Practicum



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