

PATIENT CARE TECHNICIAN, BASIC CERTIFICATE



College(s): MX

Program Code: 0396

The Patient Care Technician basic certificate provides the educational background required for pursuing a career in the healthcare industry. The curriculum covers the foundational knowledge, skills, and abilities needed to function as an entry level healthcare provider. The program focuses on student development in the following competencies essential to all healthcare providers: effective communication, accountability, cultural competence, use of information systems, and patient safety. Upon completion of the BC, students will demonstrate that they can deliver safe, culturally-competent, and evidence-based patient care.

For more information about the Patient Care Technician program at Malcolm X College, visit the program webpage (<https://www.ccc.edu/colleges/malcolm-x/departments/Pages/Patient-Care-Technician--Health-Professions-.aspx>).



Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Required Program Core		
STHLTH 174	Patient Care Technician Training	8
STHLTH 624	BNA Fundamentals/Clinical	8
Total Hours		16

Pathway

This is an **example course sequence** for students interested in health professions. If this pathway is followed as outlined, you will earn a Patient Care Technician Basic Certificate (BC). This does not represent a contract nor does it guarantee course availability.

Semester-by-Semester Program Plan for Full-Time Students

All plans can be modified to fit the needs of part-time students by adding more semesters.

Semester 1		Hours
STHLTH 174	Patient Care Technician Training	8
STHLTH 624	BNA Fundamentals/Clinical	8
Hours		16
Total Hours		16

Choose your courses with your College Advisor.

Phlebotomists

Job Description

Draw blood for tests, transfusions, donations, or research. May explain the procedure to patients and assist in the recovery of patients with adverse reactions.

Salary Based on Experience Level

Take a look at the average hourly/annual earnings for this career in Cook County

Lightcast earnings figures are based on OES data from the BLS and include base rate, cost of living allowances, guaranteed pay, hazardous-duty pay, incentive pay (including commissions and bonuses), on-call pay, and tips.

Annual Wages

Entry-Level 10 th Percentile	\$33,606
Median 50 th Percentile	\$46,129
Senior-Level 90 th Percentile	\$50,772

Hourly Wages

Entry-Level 10 th Percentile	\$16
Median 50 th Percentile	\$22
Senior-Level 90 th Percentile	\$24

Annual Job Openings

433 annual openings in Cook County

National Education Attainment

Here, you can see the level of education that people in this career complete.

Degree Program	% of Jobs
A high school diploma or less	31.82%
A certificate	45.45%
Some college	13.64%
An Associate degree	4.55%
A Bachelor's degree	4.55%
A Master's or Professional degree	0.00%
A Doctoral degree or more	0.00%

4.55% continue their education beyond an associate degree

Medical Assistants

Job Description

Perform administrative and certain clinical duties under the direction of a physician. Administrative duties may include scheduling appointments, maintaining medical records, billing, and coding information for insurance purposes. Clinical duties may include taking and recording vital signs and medical histories, preparing patients for examination, drawing blood, and administering medications as directed by physician.

Salary Based on Experience Level

Take a look at the average hourly/annual earnings for this career in Cook County

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Annual Wages

Entry-Level 10 th Percentile	\$33,836
Median 50 th Percentile	\$42,614
Senior-Level 90 th Percentile	\$51,640

Hourly Wages

Entry-Level 10 th Percentile	\$16
Median 50 th Percentile	\$20
Senior-Level 90 th Percentile	\$25

Annual Job Openings

1209 annual openings in Cook County

National Education Attainment

Here, you can see the level of education that people in this career complete.

Degree Program	% of Jobs
A high school diploma or less	20.54%
A certificate	44.74%
Some college	17.20%
An Associate degree	0.05%
A Bachelor's degree	17.47%
A Master's or Professional degree	0.00%
A Doctoral degree or more	0.00%

17.47% continue their education beyond an associate degree

Nursing Assistants

Job Description

Provide or assist with basic care or support under the direction of onsite licensed nursing staff. Perform duties such as monitoring of health status, feeding, bathing, dressing, grooming, toileting, or ambulation of patients in a health or nursing facility. May include medication administration and other health-related tasks. Includes nursing care attendants, nursing aides, and nursing attendants.

Salary Based on Experience Level

Take a look at the average hourly/annual earnings for this career in Cook County

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Annual Wages

Entry-Level 10 th Percentile	\$37,335
Median 50 th Percentile	\$42,318
Senior-Level 90 th Percentile	\$50,161

Hourly Wages

Entry-Level 10 th Percentile	\$18
Median 50 th Percentile	\$20
Senior-Level 90 th Percentile	\$24

Annual Job Openings

3938 annual openings in Cook County

National Education Attainment

Here, you can see the level of education that people in this career complete.

Degree Program	% of Jobs
A high school diploma or less	41.36%
A certificate	23.98%
Some college	12.20%
An Associate degree	9.82%
A Bachelor's degree	6.10%
A Master's or Professional degree	6.55%
A Doctoral degree or more	0.00%

12.65% continue their education beyond an associate degree