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Phlebotomy Technician Certification

The Phlebotomist collects blood samples for a variety of reasons, including medical testing, blood transfusion and blood donation. Blood is collected primarily through venipuncture, though other methods may be used including finger stick, heel stick or butterfly needle. Become a vital part of the healthcare team! This course includes classroom lecture and a clinical rotation at Eastern CT Health Network (ECHN) facilities in the Manchester area to be assigned by the instructor. Topics to be studied include basic medical terminology; anatomy and physiology of the cardiovascular system; arterial puncture procedures; blood collection equipment and laboratory procedures; quality assurance; universal precautions and infection control; specimen handling; collection procedures; and complications with an emphasis on pediatrics and the elderly. Students must have a steady hand with good manual dexterity and 20/20 vision (can be corrected with lenses) and accurate depth perception.

Successful course completion requires a minimum grade of 70, a minimum 100 clinical hours and 100 successful, unaided blood draws. Upon successful completion of the program, students will be well prepared to sit for the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP) certification (\$135 exam fee is additional). Students must successfully complete 16 hours of instruction in specific areas prior to beginning clinical. Students who fail to meet this requirement will not be allowed to begin clinical and may not be eligible to complete the program. Students will begin the hands-on training in class and will progress to complete a mandatory 100 clinical hours, to be assigned weekdays 7 AM-3 PM, at ECHN facilities in the area.

Required textbook: The Phlebotomy Textbook, 3rd Edition, Strasinger & DiLorenzo, F.A. Davis Co., (ISBN 9780803620575) approximately \$63 available at MCC Bookstore.

CRN 11539 | Fee \$1,650

26 sessions | 13 Tuesdays & 13 Thursdays 2/23-5/19 | 6-9:45 PM | LRC B144

Instructors: Donna Daniels, MBA, MHA, FACHE, Director of Laboratory and Pathology Services at ECHN; Kim E.S. Jenack, CPT, NPA/ASCP; and Pamela Chace, P.T., certified phlebotomy technicians with more than 20 years' experience.

**REGISTRATION GUIDELINES**

Have you earned college credit?

IF YES: Bring a photo ID and a copy of your transcript and proceed directly to the Registrar's Office to sign up.

IF NO: You must take a reading comprehension test at no cost. The test is given every Monday and Wednesday from 1-3 PM (except holidays), until the class fills. No appointment is necessary.

To take a comprehension test, go to the Continuing Education Division office in the Learning Resource Center (LRC), Room B105, and ask for the Coordinator of Credit-Free Allied Health Programs. Please bring a photo ID and your high school diploma or GED with you.

Phlebotomy Technician students must provide the college with documentation of the following prior to the start of clinical: A physical exam and negative PPD (Mantoux skin test for tuberculosis) both within the last 12 months; proof of MMR immunization, Rubella (German measles), Mumps and Rubeola (Regular Measles - 2 doses separated by at least 30 days); Varicella Zoster (chicken pox) or a blood titer; Hepatitis B immunization or a declination statement; a tetanus within 10 years; and flu shot (required during flu season). The health form will be mailed to students following course registration.

For further information, please call Diane Mitchell, Credit-Free Allied Health Program Coordinator, (860) 512-2826 or email dmitchell@manchestercc.edu