Phlebotomy Technician

Program Description

Phlebotomists are Allied Health Professionals who draw blood from patients for diagnostic, therapeutic, or donation purposes. Phlebotomists are responsible for preparing patients and obtaining high quality specimens for transport to the lab. A competent clinical phlebotomist must have good manual dexterity, special communication skills, good organizational skills, and a thorough knowledge of lab specimen requirements and departmental policies.

This program will provide individuals with training in the following areas:

- Past and Present and the Healthcare Setting
- Quality Assurance and Legal Issues
- Infection Control, Safety, First Aid, & Personal Wellness
- Medical Terminology
- Human Anatomy and Physiology Review
- The Circulatory System
- Blood Collection Equipment, Additives, & Order of Draw
- Venipuncture Procedures
- Preanalytical Considerations
- Capillary Puncture Equipment and Procedures
- Special Collections and Point-of-Care Testing
- Computers and Specimen Handling and Processing
- Nonblood Specimens and Tests
- Arterial Puncture Procedures

This is a 17 week program that will consist of classes 2 days per week for a total of 200 classroom hours. In addition, there will be a clinical component to consist of a minimum of 100 Venipunctures and 5 Dermal punctures. This is the minimal requirement to sit for the ASPT National Certification Exam which will be given after successful completion of the course.