

Patient Care Technician (51.2601)

Overview

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Program Description

The Patient Care Technician certificate program prepares individuals for a variety of job opportunities in the Health Services areas and is generated to meet the need for cross training of employees in health care facilities. Graduates may find employment in long-term care facilities, hospitals, laboratories, and clinics where basic bedside nursing skills are required, as well as the skills of phlebotomy, performing electrocardiograms (EKG), stress testing, and holter monitoring procedures.

All OBRA skill standards are included into this competency-based curriculum. The program consists of classroom/lab instruction and supervised/preceptor clinical activities.

Upon successful completion of this competency-based program, students will receive certification as a Nurse Aide on the Louisiana Nurse Aid Registry, and will be eligible to take national certification exams in Phlebotomy, Electrocardiogram (EKG) Technician, and/or Patient Care Technician.

Regular admissions shall:

1. meet the recommended scores for CLTCC Patient Care Technician program in reading, language, and mathematics on an approved entrance examination;
2. provide health certification from a licensed physician;
3. be fingerprinted and complete a college required Office of State Police Right to Review Criminal Background Check;
4. meet all admission requirements set by the Louisiana Department of Health and Central Louisiana Technical Community College.

Entrance Examination Recommended Scores for Patient Care Technician

Placement Test	Reading	Language	Math
ACT (sub score)	17	15	17
Accuplacer Classic	46	52	30
Accuplacer Next Generation	230	225	225

Each nursing and allied health student is required to obtain and continue personal health insurance, at his or her own expense throughout the term of his or her participation in the program. In the event of an accident or injury, the student is responsible for any medical expenses including ambulance service fees.

Student Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate understanding of the most common medical terminology abbreviations.

2. Demonstrate proficiency in taking and interpreting vital signs, transferring the patients, personal care including bed bath, feeding, toileting, and activities of daily living.
3. Demonstrate the knowledge and skills in medical asepsis, bed making, general care of patients, care of orthopedic, bedbound, and diabetic patients, diet and nutrition, and patient confidentiality.
4. Demonstrate the knowledge and skills to perform phlebotomy skills including venipuncture, capillary sticks, infection control measures, and labs tests as applicable for the role.
5. Demonstrate the knowledge and skills to perform the role and tasks of an entry-level EKG technician.

Exit Points

CTC – Nurse Assistant (51.3902)

CTC – EKG Skills (51.0902)

CTC – Phlebotomy Skills (51.1001)

CTS – Patient Care Technician (51.2601)

Program Curriculum

Curriculum (Click to Download Curriculum)

Course No.	Course Title	Lecture	Lab	Clinical	Total Credit Hrs.	Total Clock Hrs.
	Required Program Courses:					
HCOR 1010	Orientation for PH/AH	30	0	0	1	30
HCOR 1214	Nursing Fundamentals	60	30	0	5	90
HCOR 1215	Skills Application	0	0	45	1	45
	CTC – NURSE ASSISTANT (51.3902)	90	30	45	7	150
HCOR 1201	Introduction to A & P (with Med. Terminology)	60	0	0	4	60
HCOR 1210	Administrative Procedures for Allied Health	30	30	0	3	60
HCOR 1301	Professional Aspects for Allied Health	45	0	0	2	45
HCOR 1321	Allied Health Communication Techniques	45	0	0	3	45
HEKG 1401	EKG Techniques	60	30	0	5	90
HPHL 1421	Phlebotomy Techniques	60	30	45	6	135
	CTS - PATIENT CARE TECHNICIAN (Inclusion of required related courses) (51.2601)	390	120	90	30	600

*Clock/credit hours non-inclusive of related courses

Additional Exit Points:

HCOR 1201	Introduction to A & P (with Med. Terminology)	60	0	0	4	60
HEKG 1401	EKG Techniques	60	30	0	5	90
	CTC-EKG SKILLS (51.0902)	120	30	0	9	150
HCOR 1201	Introduction to A & P (with Med. Terminology)	60	0	0	4	60
HPHL 1421	Phlebotomy Technique	60	30	45	6	135
	CTC- PHLEBOTOMY SKILLS (51.1009)	120	30	45	10	195

*Related courses are not a requirement of CTC exit credential

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