Phlebotomy Technician Certificate Program

Phlebotomy Technicians are trained to perform a variety of blood collection methods. Our 178-hour program prepares you for entry level positions as a Phlebotomy Technician. We provide 63 hours of instruction in the classroom and laboratory, followed by 100 hours of clinical experiences in area laboratories. Coursework covers vacuum collection devices, syringes, capillary skin puncture, butterfly needles, blood culture, and specimen collection on adults, children and infants. Emphasis will be on infection prevention, proper patient identification, labeling of specimens and quality assurance, specimen handling, processing and accessioning. Other topics include professionalism, ethics and medical terminology. Additionally, an AHA BLS for Healthcare Providers (8 hours) and Professionalism in the Workplace (7 hours) are given in conjunction with this course. Both are required prior to attending clinical rotations. Once you have completed our program, national certification in phlebotomy is offered by multiple agencies including the American Society of Clinical Pathologists (ASCP) and the American Certification Agency for Healthcare Professionals (ACA). For more information, visit www.ascp.org or call 800.267.2727.

*Information is subject to change based on industry, facility, or institution requirements.

Cost: $1054

**Prerequisites:** ALL prerequisites MUST be completed TWO WEEKS PRIOR to start of class.

- Online Extended Background Investigation ($50, payable by student) through www.certifiedbackground.com. The results take 48-72 hours. For assistance, please see a registration clerk at the Center.
- Drug Screen ($40, payable by student) through www.certifiedbackground.com. The results take 48-72 hours. For assistance, please see a registration clerk at the Center.
- High School Diploma or GED
- Complete Accuplacer Test with required scores in Reading and Writing. Pick up Accuplacer Test form in the Center for Workforce Development registration office, pay for test in the Business Office and contact the Counseling Office at 281.425.6384 to schedule the test.
- All students are required to have the current immunizations listed below

**Immunization Requirements for Program:** To be eligible to do the clinical at a facility, you will need to have ALL of your shots PRIOR to the start of class and you must bring PROOF of all shot records to the Center for Workforce and Community Development when registering.

- Hepatitis B — **Series of Three doses** are required or a Quantitative Titer will be accepted as long as the result shows positive immunity.
- MMR — Must have **two doses** of vaccination. Titer accepted.
- TB Skin Test (PPD) —
  1. Test must be negative and taken within 6 months of the start date of the class. If positive, chest X-ray with written results from Dr. showing no symptoms of TB accepted. OR
  2. Chest X-ray with written results within 2 years of start date of class.
- Tetanus (Tdap) — Must be within 10 years of the start date of the class (or TD + Pertussis immunization)
- Varicella — Must have **two doses** of vaccination or proof of having had chicken pox. Titer accepted.
- Flu Vaccine — annual — if clinical rotations are to be completed during flu season.

**Supplies:** Per instructor

**Textbooks:** Available in the Lee College Bookstore

*Phlebotomy Essentials, 5th Edition, Textbook*
*Phlebotomy Essentials, 5th Edition, Workbook*
*American Heart Association’s BLS for Healthcare Providers Student Manual*

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