Phlebotomy Technician

2020 - 2021 Academic Year



Program Overview

Phlebotomy professionals are qualified by academic and practical education to collect, transport, and process blood specimens for analysis. They select the appropriate equipment and technique based on a thorough understanding of the anatomy and physiology of the patient, as well as the psycho-social factors that may impact specimen collection. Phlebotomy professionals perform venipunctures, and capillary (dermal) punctures adhering to all standards governing patient and employee safety. The ability to relate to people, a capacity for calm and reasoned judgment, and a demonstration of commitment to the patient are essential qualities. Communication skills involve direct interaction with the patient, family members of the patient, fellow members of the laboratory team, and other members of the healthcare team. Phlebotomy professionals demonstrate ethical and moral attitudes and principles that are necessary for gaining and maintaining the confidence of patients, professional associates and the community.

The Phlebotomy curriculum includes a combination of general education courses, online Phlebotomy didactic lectures, face-to-face student laboratory sessions, and clinical experience in a hospital or clinic. Upon successful completion of the prescribed curriculum, the student is eligible to take an examination for national professional certification and will be able to work in a variety of clinical settings that include hospital laboratories, physicians' offices, clinics, and blood donor centers.

Degree and Certificates

Certificate in Phlebotomy

Career Opportunities

The U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics reports that employment of phlebotomists is projected to grow 25 percent from 2016 to 2026, much faster than the average for all occupations. Hospitals, diagnostic laboratories, blood donor centers, and other locations will need phlebotomists to perform bloodwork. Learn more: www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/phlebotomists.htm.

NAACLS Accreditation Statement

The Phlebotomy program at WNCC has been approved by by the National Accrediting Agency for Clinical Laboratory Sciences (NAACLS), 5600 N. River Rd. Suite 720, Rosemont, IL 60018- 5119; (773) 714-8880.

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Recommended Plan of Study

Fall Semester (Pre-Clinical Courses): Course Number Course Title Credits MEDT-1000 Introduction to Clinical Laboratory 3 HLTH-1060 **Medical Terminology** 3 INFO-1100 Microcomputer Applications MEDT-1010 Fundamentals of Phlebotomy 4 **Total Fall Semester Credits**

Spring Semester (Pre-Clinical & Clinical Courses):

Course Number Course Title Credits
LPNR-1110 Body Structure & Function 4
MEDT-1210 Practicum: Phlebotomy 2.5
Total Spring Semester Credits 6.5

TOTAL PBT INDUSTRY CERTIFICATE CREDIT HOURS 18.5

Note: All students should consult their faculty advisor and transfer advisor early in their WNCC enrollment to determine their appropriate curriculum sequence.

Program Mission

The Phlebotomy program at Western Nebraska Community College responds to the employability and educational needs of the community by training ethical professionals to perform as competent Phlebotomy technician professionals.

Program Goals

Upon completion of the program, all students will demonstrate their competency in the Cognitive, Psychomotor, and Affective Domains in the field of the Phlebotomy Program.

- GOAL1: The Phlebotomy Program (PBT) will have 70 percent of the student's completion rate within one year.
- GOAL 2: The PBT program will have 70 percent of the students entering the program graduate within one year.
- GOAL 3: Within one year of graduation, 70 percent of the Phlebotomy graduates will be employed.
- GOAL 4: The PBT program will have a minimum of 75 percent of its graduates' pass the National Registry Exam within one year.
- GOAL5: Upon graduation, the PBT program will obtain 85 percent satisfaction from the employer about the graduate's entry-level knowledge and technical skills.

Clinical Affiliates

- · Morrill County Community Hospital | Bridgeport, NE.
- · Box Butte General Hospital | Alliance, NE.
- Sidney Regional Medical Center | Sidney, NE.
- · Regional West Medical Center | Scottsbluff, NE.
- · Cheyenne VA Medical Center | Cheyenne, WY.

Program Admission Requirments

- · Applicant must be at least 17 years of age;
- Applicant must submit an official high school transcript or GED certificate:
- Applicant must submit official college transcripts, if applicable;
- Applicants must meet certain essential functions as defined by NAACLS's Standard. Essential functions are the abilities and tasks that a student must be able to perform to be successful in the learning experiences and completion of the program. (For more details, please contact MLT/Phlebotomy Program Director);
- Applicant must fulfill Western Nebraska Community College's General Admission Requirements;
- Applicant must submit completed MLT and or Phlebotomy Program application forms and admission checklists into the Program Director via email or mail on the published deadline.
- Applicant must provide documentation of current immunization or proof of immunity;
- · Applicant must submit a satisfactory background check result;
- Applicant must fulfill the college and/or program fundamental skills assessment score such as the ACT, SAT, NextGen ACCUPLACER, unless exempt. Students can arrange to take the NextGen ACCUPLACER on the WNCC campus;
- Applicant must comply with the MLT and Phlebotomy Program Drug and Alcohol Screening Policy.
- Applicant must schedule an interview meeting with the MLT and Phlebotomy Program Director (Academic Advisor) by calling 308.635.6124 or by email: hajim5@wncc.edu.

Financial Aid Eligibility

Participants in the WNCC Phlebotomy progamare now eligible to recieve financial aid if specific requirements are met.

Please contact the program director or visit the WNCC Financial Aid website at **go.wncc.edu/financial-aid** for more information and to learn how to apply.



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