

WHAT IS PHLEBOTOMY?

Phlebotomy is the act of drawing or removing blood from the circulatory system through an incision or puncture in order to obtain a sample for analysis and diagnosis. Phlebotomy is also done as part of the patient's treatment for certain blood disorders.

Phlebotomy, which is also known as venesection, is performed by a nurse or technician. Blood is usually taken from a vein on the back of the hand or inside the elbow. Some blood tests may require blood from an artery. For some tests, requiring very small amounts of blood for analysis, the technician uses a finger stick.

This program teaches the student the appropriate phlebotomy procedure. Because laboratory test results are an important diagnostic tool for the physician, we require our students to have understanding of the importance of specimen collection and processing, as well as the knowledge and skill to carry out this task with accuracy and confidence.



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PHLEBOTOMY TECHNICIAN CE COURSE



BAY AREA MEDICAL ACADEMY

Bay Area Medical Academy is a social enterprise that provides technical education and training for long-term employment in the medical field. We provide a nurturing learning environment, where every student receives personalized attention. We structure our classes to ensure hands-on learning; keep a small student-to-teacher ratio; and provide additional coaching and lab practice hours for students who need it.

We develop a strong bond with each individual student that continues into their careers. Many of our students return to the Bay Area Medical Academy as volunteers, employment liaisons and teaching assistants.

ACCREDITATIONS AND APPROVALS

- Nationally Accredited through ACICS (Accrediting Council for Independent Colleges and Schools)
- Approved for Phlebotomy training by the California BPPE (Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education) and by California Department of Public Health - Laboratory Field Services (CPT-1 License)
- Certified Social Enterprise (B-Corp)
- AEO Citi Foundation Microentrepreneur of the Year Award 2011



THE COURSE

The Phlebotomy Technician Training course consists of two segments: a classroom segment and a clinical externship.

The classroom segment consists of 60 hours of both lecture and practical instruction delivered in a classroom setting. This is designed to provide a theoretical foundation, as well as hands-on training in venipuncture and skin puncture procedures. Students also learn professional behavior and responsibilities in patient care settings.

60
hours of
classroom training

40 to 160
hours of
clinical externship

Upon successful completion of the classroom segment, and after passing the National Exam for Phlebotomy Technicians, students are assigned to a clinical externship at a local hospital or clinic. The clinical externship consists of at least 40 hours.

Following the clinical externship, our friendly staff assists students with the application process for the California CPT-1 license.

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- Introduction to Phlebotomy
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Safety in Phlebotomy
- Infection control and Biohazards
- Phlebotomy equipment and techniques
- Performing venipunctures
- Arterial punctures
- Performing skin punctures
- Specimen considerations and special procedures
- Quality assessment for accurate and reliable results
- Risk factors and appropriate responses to complications
- Legal issues related to blood collection
- Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA)

PREPARE FOR 2 CERTIFICATIONS



NATIONAL CERTIFICATION

Phlebotomy Technician (NCPT)

CALIFORNIA CERTIFICATION

Certified Phlebotomy Technician (CPT-1 License)

CAREER SERVICES



Although employment is not guaranteed, Career Services are provided to all graduates.

-  Resume Writing assistance and workshops
-  Interview workshops and one-on-one drills
-  Direct job referrals and job leads
-  Employer on Campus days
-  Employer Interview events

Our Employer on Campus program maintains long-term relationships with the leading Bay Area hospitals, clinics and labs. The program hosts employers at our campus in San Francisco for various presentations (“What we look for in a new hire?”) and direct group interview sessions.

EMPLOYER TESTIMONIAL

“We have worked with Bay Area Medical Academy (BAMA) and are delighted with the talented employees we have been able to hire from their program. We have also been sending all of our administrative employees through the phlebotomy program at BAMA. We have chosen BAMA because of their dedication to excellence, their thorough training program and importantly their interest in making sure to keep service orientation as a high priority.”

**Keely Strong, Manager
One Medical Group**

