CONSIDER A NEW CAREER AS A PHLEBOTOMY TECHNICIAN!

The Phlebotomy Technician is a vital member of the clinical laboratory team, whose main function is to obtain patient's blood specimens by venipuncture and microcollection for testing purposes. Phlebotomy Technicians are employed throughout the healthcare system including in hospitals, neighborhood health centers, medical group practices, public health facilities, veteran hospitals, and in other healthcare settings. The demand for Phlebotomy Technicians has increased substantially with the overall complexity of healthcare services and the risks of infectious disease.

Nassau Community College (NCC), in partnership with Condensed Curriculum International (CCI), is pleased to offer this Phlebotomy Technician program. The course includes 57 hours of instructor-led classes via Zoom video conferencing, 33 hours of classroom sessions on campus, and online learning management system coursework. During the on-campus lab sessions, students will perform phlebotomy on a practice arm and then perform venipunctures on other students. You need a computer or tablet with a browser and internet access for Zoom as well as for the online course access. With your first login, you will be provided with technical requirements to set up your computer. You can preview a demo of an online course at http://www.pearsoncustom.com/us/healthed/ . Textbook and supplies are included. Students are required to purchase light blue scrubs.

Maintaining the health and safety of the NCC community is of the utmost importance and, as such, the College has implemented a testing program to detect COVID-19 cases on the campus. This requirement is to help ensure health and safety. Participation in the surveillance testing program is mandatory for all students enrolled in face-to-face classes in order to remain eligible for in-person class attendance.

Course Information
The Phlebotomy Technician program prepares students to collect blood and other specimens from clients for the purpose of laboratory analysis. This course covers the following key areas and topics:

- Process and procedures for collecting blood specimens for laboratory analysis
- All aspects of blood collection and related procedures
- The order of draw
- Universal precautions
- Skills to perform venipunctures completely and safely
- Terminology and related anatomy and physiology

Detailed Course Topics
- The history of phlebotomy and the healthcare setting
- Quality assurance and legal issues
- Infection control, safety, first aid, and personal wellness
- Universal precautions including safety protocols & infection control
- Laboratory operations (e.g., safety, quality control)
- Blood banks and blood typing, lab departments and personnel
- Medical terminology and laboratory theory
- Human anatomy and physiology of the circulatory system
- Specimen collection, processing, and handling
- Blood collection equipment, additives, and order of draw
- Venipuncture specimen collection procedures
- Capillary puncture equipment and procedures
- Special collections and point-of-care testing
- Arterial puncture procedures
- Non-blood specimens and tests
- Pediatric and geriatric blood collection
- Blood and blood composition, blood tubes, coagulation, venipuncture protocols, etc.
- Heel puncture, protocol, practice, and syringe draws
- Respiratory, pneumonia and TB isolation protocol
- Laboratory skills and simulated/animated labs

Certification and Optional Externship
Students who complete this program may pursue the National Healthcareer Association (NHA) Phlebotomy Technician Exam (or another certifying exam). Student must have a high school diploma or equivalent, and a current government-issued photo ID. The cost of the exam is not included. The NHA exam is scheduled for Wednesday, July 28, 2021.

If health and safety guidelines allow, an optional, 40-hour Clinical Externship for no additional cost may be available after course completion. To be eligible for the clinical rotation, students must successfully complete the program, provide a resume, as well as complete a drug screening, background check*, medical exam and provide proof of immunizations. Background check* and drug screening are additional costs.

Applications will be responsible to complete a background check. Once registered, a student will be provided information on completing the background check. Students are required to pay the cost of the background check. If you have been convicted of a felony, you should contact the Center for Workforce Development prior to registering for this program. A felony conviction may prevent you from participating in a clinical rotation/externship portion of the program. All cases will be reviewed on an individual basis. If it is determined that a student is not eligible to go into a clinical setting, the student may be allowed to continue with only the classroom portion of the program and may not meet requirements to sit for a certifying exam. The refund policy will be adhered to regardless of a student's eligibility for the clinical rotation/externship of any program.

For further information, please visit ncc.edu/workforcedevelopment

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