

IS A HEALTH OCCUPATION CAREER FOR ME?

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According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, healthcare is the second fastest growing industry in the U.S. with a wide variety of career opportunities in direct patient care and support occupations. Your career choices in healthcare will continue to grow, driven by the increase in outpatient services and the aging U.S. population.

Allied Health Education at Skagit Valley College includes the following programs: Medical Assistant, Medical Billing and Coding, Medical Secretary, Patient Registration, Phlebotomy and Pharmacy Technician. Programs are accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs. Student graduates are prepared to take national industry recognized certification exams.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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PREPARATION

- [GED](#)
- [ESL](#)
- [Pre-College \(Adult Basic Ed.\)](#)

STARTING CONSIDERATIONS

Students may enter the program at the beginning of any quarter. Students are encouraged to review the sample schedules and course descriptions since some key courses are offered only at specific times during the year.

- [Admissions: Getting Started](#)
- [Admissions Form](#)
- [Placement Assessment](#)

PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL CERTIFICATES

- [Medical Assistant Certificate](#) (87 credits)
- [Medical Billing & Coding Specialist Certificate](#) (71 credits)
- [Medical Secretary Certificate](#) (61 credits)
- [Phlebotomy Certificate](#) (38 credits)
- [Pharmacy Technician Certificate](#) (64 credits)
- [Veterinary Assistant Certificate](#) (32 credits)

Micro-Certificate

- [Patient Registration Specialist Certificate](#) (18 credits)
- [Dental Foundations](#) (18 credits)

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES*

- [Home Health Aides](#) (\$9.67 - \$14.32)
- [Medical Equipment Preparers](#) (\$12.11 - \$22.20)
- [Healthcare Support Workers](#) (\$11.23 - \$22.63)
- [Medical Transcriptionist](#) (\$9.35 - \$23.35)
- [Phlebotomist](#) (\$12.34 - \$21.51)
- [Pharmacy Technician](#) (\$14.50 - \$24.3)
- [Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Caretakers](#) (\$9.37 - \$15.09)
- [Dental Reception](#) (\$9.91 - \$18.76)
- [Sterilization Assistant](#) (\$12.11 - \$22.20)

*Listed wages represent the most local wage information available from Careerinfonet.org

EMPLOYMENT AND WAGES*

- [Medical Assistant](#) (\$12.59 - \$22.13)
- [Health Technologists and Technician](#) (\$15.49 - \$38.77)
- [Healthcare Practitioners and Technician Workers](#) (\$16.36 - \$47.58)

PROFESSIONAL/TECHNICAL ASSOCIATE DEGREES

[Associate of Technical Arts \(ATA\) in Medical Assistant](#) (97 credits)

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