Interested in a new career in the medical field? Clinical medical assistants (CMAs) perform patient clinical skills such as, administering medications, assisting with minor surgery, or performing an electrocardiogram. Employment of medical assistants is expected to grow 30% by 2022. Our Clinical Medical Assistant Certificate Program teaches you the skills needed to get your certificate in as little as two months. The comprehensive curriculum also prepares you to sit for the National Healthcareer Association Certified Clinical Medical Assistant exam.

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Complete the in class or online program in two months. Or take up to six months to complete online program.

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An ideal program for those who want knowledge of and experience in the medical field.

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Our program includes a 160-hour clinical externship to jump start your career.

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We offer two certificate options to fit your schedule—in class or completely online.
Certificate Programs

Our Clinical Medical Assistant Certificate Program offers an in class or online certificate. The online course is self-paced and includes learning modules, 24/7 mentoring, learning exercises, and labs. Although the modes of education are different, the knowledge and training received for each certificate is the same. The skills learned prepare you for a career in a variety of healthcare settings, such as physician’s offices, clinics, and chiropractor’s offices.

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• $2,599 for the full program including 160-hour clinical externship and all textbooks and materials.

Clinical Medical Assistant Online Certificate

• $2,599 for a self-paced e-learning course that gives you six months to complete, but can be completed in as little as 2 months. Access to all textbooks, workbooks and related course material, and a 160-hour clinical externship included. A payment plan is available for the online certificate through our educational partner.

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Key areas and topics covered in the program

• Clinical medical assistant responsibilities and healthcare facilities introduction
• Medical terminology, anatomy and physiology, circulation of the heart and blood vessels
• Care & safety of patients, medical & legal aspects of care, confidentiality and HIPAA
• Effective verbal and non-verbal communication, interpersonal skills and human behavior
• Aseptic techniques, infection prevention, universal precautions, proper use and disposal of biohazards and sharps
• Documenting patient medical histories, updating patient medical files, vital signs and documentation
• Applying sterile dressings, preparing patients for x-rays, performing various injections, administering oral medications, instructing patients on the proper usage of medications
• Phlebotomy, venipunctures and capillary sampling, collecting specimens and point of care testing
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