

FREE MEDICAL ASSISTANT TRAINING

PROGRAMS BEGIN: SEPTEMBER 7, 2021

**1 YEAR PROGRAM • 2 SEMESTERS
FULL-TIME CLASSES • 29 COLLEGE CREDITS**

Employer requirements for medical assistants in Western Massachusetts are changing as healthcare changes. The quality and standards for training programs varies widely, with no statewide certification standards. Bilingual medical assistants are particularly in demand. Medical assistants help doctors, nurses and other medical professionals with both administrative and clinical tasks, most often in a physician's office. Care for patients directly by taking and recording vital signs and medical histories, preparing patients for examination, drawing blood, and administering medications as directed by a physician. They keep medical offices running smoothly by scheduling appointments, keeping medical records, billing, and insurance coding.



Learn more by attending ONE virtual information session:

July 13th at 10:30am

July 23rd @ 1:00pm

July 29th @ 10:30am

August 4th @ 10:30am

August 9th @ 2:00pm

Contact Donna Harris at 413-774-4361 x314 for more information or to register

Eligibility Requirements:

- Unemployed or Under-employed (working only part-time in a field other than healthcare)
- High School Diploma or equivalent
- Legally able to work in the U.S.
- Assessment testing and an interview is part of the selection process
- Meet program's immunization requirements
- Pass a CORI/SORI test
- Pass a drug test which includes THC



Medical Assistants generally work in doctor's offices and community health centers. Most Medical Assistants earn a starting wage of \$16/hr.