

The Profession of Patient Care Technician

The Patient Care Technician role is one of the most versatile in the medical field today. It is a role that requires energy, dependability, honesty, and a strong desire to help those who are ill. They work in hospitals, nursing homes, home health settings, and rehabilitation centers. Duties vary, but may include taking vital signs, performing phlebotomy, and assisting with activities of daily living. PCTs usually work under the direct supervision of a registered or licensed nurse or physician. Opportunities are plentiful and on the rise!



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...to your patients?

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