

The Profession of Phlebotomy Technician

Phlebotomists work directly with patients, and are the human face of the medical laboratory. Reference labs, hospitals, blood banks, and physician offices depend upon the phlebotomist to collect quality blood samples and other laboratory specimens.

The job outlook is very good, and opportunities are expected to continue to rise in the future. If you are a good communicator and can work effectively and accurately under stress, this may be the medical field for you.



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National Certified Phlebotomy Technician

To qualify, you must:

- 1) Be a high school graduate or equivalent and
- 2) Be a graduate of an approved phlebotomy program or a phlebotomy course within a school that has been accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education or has approval from the State's Department of Education or

Provide documentation of working as a phlebotomy technician for at least one full year and

- 3) Have completed 25 venipunctures and 5 capillary draws (minimum) and meet any additional requirements of your own state*

*Louisiana requires 100 venipunctures and 25 capillary draws

*California requires 50 venipunctures and 10 capillary draws

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Is Certification Important...

...to your employer?

That is a preference of each organization, but many make certification a requirement for employment—or may give hiring preference to applicants who are certified over those who are not.

...to your patients?

Have you ever been sick? Has any member of your family been sick? Your Mother? Father? Child? Wouldn't you want the health care professional drawing blood from their veins to be very skilled and certified?