

MEDICAL ASSISTANT

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- Record patients' medical history, vital statistics or information such as test results in medical records
- Interview patients to obtain medical information and measure their vital signs, weight and height
- Prepare treatment rooms for patient examinations, keeping the rooms neat and clean
- Show patients to examination rooms and prepare them for the physician
- Collect blood, tissue or other laboratory specimens, log the specimens and prepare them for testing

NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL WAGE INFORMATION

	Entry Level Hourly Wage	2016 Employment	Projected 2026 Employment
Capital Area	\$12.80	2,560	3,370
Texas	\$11.67	58,571	79,526
United States	\$12.41	634,400	818,400

WHAT JOB TITLES SHOULD I SEARCH FOR?

- Medical Assistant

WHERE COULD I WORK?

- Offices of Physicians
- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Offices of Other Health Practitioners
- Outpatient Care Centers

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS NEEDED

WHAT TYPE OF EDUCATION AND/OR TRAINING WILL I NEED?

Workers in occupations at this level can develop the skills needed for average job performance after obtaining a postsecondary non-degree award such as a certificate.

WILL I NEED A SPECIAL LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION?

Many occupations prefer or require at least one certification for entry or advancement. Every Medical Assistant is required to obtain a Phlebotomist Certification. The Texas Workforce Investment Council has also indicated the following as Industry– Based Certifications for this occupation: Clinical Medical Assistant.

Primary Data Sources: Texas Workforce Commission at texaslmi.com, JobsEQ at jobseq.eqsuite.com, Bureau of Labor Statistics at bls.gov, and CareerOneStop at careerinfonet.org, 2018, Nationwide data is for 2019



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MEDICAL ASSISTANT

CAPITAL AREA CAREER LADDER

* Also Included on Targeted Occupation List (PY 2021)

*Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN)

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$17.34
- Median Level: \$22.66

Typical Education & Experience

- Postsecondary non-degree award

527 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

Medical Assistant

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$12.80
- Median Level: \$16.35

Typical Education & Experience

- Postsecondary non-degree award

810 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

*Phlebotomist

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$12.37
- Median Level: \$16.72

Typical Education & Experience

- Postsecondary non-degree award

174 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

*Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)

Hourly Wages

- Entry Level: \$10.68
- Median Level: \$13.42

Typical Education & Experience

- Postsecondary non-degree award

904 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

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