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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			
	2019 Entry Level Hourly Wage	2018 Employment	Projected 2028 Employment
Capital Area	\$13.60	3,102	3,740
Texas	\$12.13	60,957	77,619
United States	\$12.41	725,200*	864,400*

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, 2019, *US projections are for 2019-2029

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MEDICAL ASSISTANT

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* Also Included on Targeted Occupation List (PY 2021)

*Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN)

Hourly Wages

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• Entry Level: \$17.87

• Median Level: \$23.66

Typical Education & Experience

• Postsecondary non-degree award

499 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

*Medical Assistant

Hourly Wages

• Entry Level: \$13.60

• Median Level: \$17.02

Typical Education & Experience

Postsecondary non-degree award

728 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

*Phlebotomist

Hourly Wages

• Entry Level: \$12.47

Median Level: \$17.03

Typical Education & Experience

Postsecondary non-degree award

341 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

*Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)

Hourly Wages

• Entry Level: \$11.16

Median Level: \$13.95

Typical Education & Experience

Postsecondary non-degree award

961 new & replacement positions between 2018-2028

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