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## **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**



As a medical assistant, the student will help care for patients by providing routine treatment and performing laboratory. Typical duties include scheduling and receiving patients; taking temperature, blood pressure, height and weight measurements; assisting in examinations; and keeping medical records. Under a doctor's direction as a medical assistant, you may give injections, assist in collecting samples for analysis, perform standard laboratory tests, order and maintain supplies, and assist in minor surgery and wound care.

After graduation, employment options include private physicians' offices, clinics, emergency-care facilities, hospitals, and other healthcare organizations.

The student will take the certification examination after graduation and will be certified upon passing the exam.

Diploma program is fifty-four (54) credit hours.



Columbus Technical College is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges.

## 36k EARNING POTENTIAL

\*MEDIAN SALARY IN GA SOURCE: U.S. BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS. GA



## **PROJECTED GROWTH**

Employment in medical assisting occupations is projected to grow **19** percent from 2019 to 2029, much faster than the average for all occupations.

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