



Health Science Career Cluster

The Health Science career cluster focuses on planning, managing, and providing therapeutic services, diagnostics services, health informatics, support services, and biotechnology research and development. This career cluster includes occupations ranging from medical assistant, registered nurse, and physical therapist to forensic science technician and athletic trainer.

Statewide Program of Study: *Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services*

The Diagnostic and Therapeutic Services program of study focuses on occupational and educational opportunities associated with diagnosing and treating acute, episodic, or chronic illness independently or as part of a healthcare team. This program of study includes exploration of patient treatment and rehabilitative programs that help build or restore daily living skills to persons with disabilities or developmental delays.

Secondary Courses for High School Credit

Level 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principles of Health Science
Level 2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Terminology (MDCA1313/NURA1307)
Level 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anatomy and Physiology Health Science Theory/Clinical (HPRS1105/MDCA1317)
Level 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Medical Microbiology Practicum in Health Science

Aligned Advanced Academic Courses

AP	AP Biology	AP Chemistry
	MDCA1313 Medical Terminology	
	NURA1307 Body Systems	
Dual Credit	HPRS1105 Essentials of Medical Law/Ethics for Health Professionals	
	MDCA1317 Procedures in a Clinical Setting	

Students should be advised to consider these course opportunities to enrich their preparation. AP courses not listed under the Secondary Courses for High School Credit section of this framework document do not count towards concentrator/completer status for this program of study.

Work-Based Learning and Expanded Learning Opportunities

Work-Based Learning Activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intern with a medical assistant at a community clinic, hospital, assisted living, or long-term care facility Participate in job shadowing experiences such as Emergency Medical Services (EMS) ride along or hospital/clinical job
Expanded Learning Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA) or SkillsUSA Participate in Advanced Medical Ambulance Bus (AMBUS) event or Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) event

Aligned Industry-Based Certifications

- Certified EKG Technician

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Example Postsecondary Opportunities

Apprenticeships

- Medical Assistant

Associate Degrees

- Emergency Medical Technology
- Radiologic Technology/Science

Bachelor's Degrees

- Emergency Medical Technology
- Medical Insurance Coding

Master's, Doctoral, and Professional Degrees

- Medicine
- Occupational Therapy

Additional Stackable IBCs/License

- Registered Diagnostic Medical Sonographer



Example Aligned Occupations

Medical Assistants

Median Wage: \$36,834
Annual Openings: 11,638
10-Year Growth: 29%

Dental Hygienists

Median Wage: \$79,663
Annual Openings: 1,352
10-Year Growth: 32%

Physician Assistants

Median Wage: \$127,332
Annual Openings: 974
10-Year Growth: 41%

