

A Phlebotomy Technician is a key member of the medical laboratory team whose primary function is the collection of blood samples from patients by venipuncture or microtechniques

Employment of phlebotomists is projected to grow 23 percent from 2018 to 2028, much faster than the average for all occupations. hospitals, diagnostic laboratories, blood donor centers, and other locations will need phlebotomists to perform bloodwork.

Blood analysis remains an essential function in medical laboratories and hospitals. Demand for phlebotomists will remain high as doctors and other healthcare professionals require bloodwork for analysis and diagnosis.

In addition to blood analysis, phlebotomists are necessary for blood collection, either at mobile blood centers or dedicated donation centers. These phlebotomists may be especially busy during a health emergency, which can correspond with heightened interest in blood donations. [Source](#)



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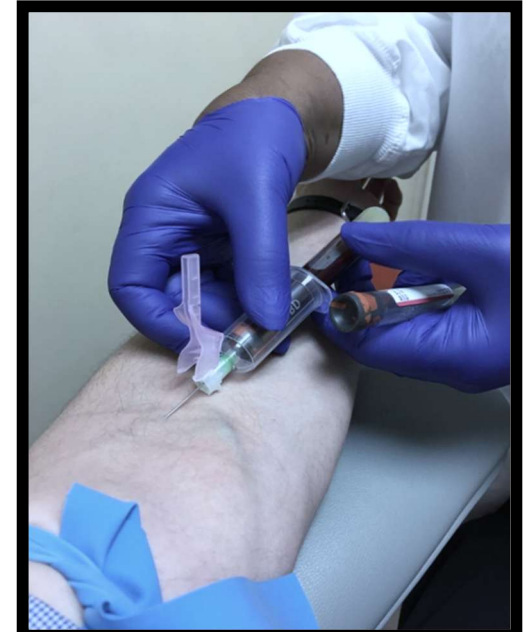
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CTA's requirements before you can draw blood:

- Pass A Written Cert. Exam
- Skin Punctures
- Venipunctures
- Hours of Clinical Training At A State-Approved Lab
- Hours Of Didactic Training

All Phlebotomists must be LICENSED through the Department of Health Services, Laboratory Field Services Division in order to maintain employment as a Phlebotomist.

Effective April 9, 2003, all persons performing phlebotomy who are not doctors, nurses, or clinical lab scientists, must be certified as a phlebotomist before they can draw blood.

State Certification Requirements:

- Attend a phlebotomy training program that has been licensed by the State's Laboratory Field Services Department.
- Complete a minimum of 40 hours of clinical training at a State-Licensed lab (CTI requires 64 Hours didactic training, 40 Hours clinical training at a State-Licensed Lab, 50 venipunctures, 10 skin punctures).
- Pass a written certification exam from an organization approved by the California Department of Health Services.
- State Application Fee \$100

Once you have passed the National certification exam, you must submit the following to the State for certification: High School Transcript or GED, CTA Certificate, AMT Test Results (\$120 Testing Fee), Proof of Clinical Hours Completed.

Employment Opportunities

"CTA's Phlebotomy Technician Program course will prepare the graduate with the necessary skills for employment as a Certified Phlebotomy Technician in a variety of medical occupations"

- ✓ **Health Care Support Workers**
- ✓ **Medical Laboratory**
- ✓ **Medical Assistant**
- ✓ **Phlebotomist**
- ✓ **Laboratory Assistant Blood & Plasma**
- ✓ **Centrifuge Operator Plasma Processing**



Course Content

CTA's Phlebotomy Technician Program is structured in a learning-effective 50% theory/ 50% hands-on method. Upon successful completion of CTA's Phlebotomy Program, students will:



Be familiar with commonly used medical terminology related to phlebotomy



Successfully obtain blood through various blood collection procedures



Be familiar with complications & procedural errors



Be familiar with blood collection equipment & procedures



Understand the anatomy & physiology of the circulatory system



Be aware of the legal issues related to blood collection procedures & patient care



Understand the procedure for arterial blood collection



Know about infection control, safety & first aid