What can I do with this major: Medical Assistant

Medical assistants are multiskilled health professionals specifically educated to work in ambulatory settings performing administrative and clinical duties. The practice of medical assisting directly influences the public's health and well-being, and requires mastery of a complex body of knowledge and specialized skills requiring both formal education and practical experience that serve as standards for entry into the profession. The medical assistant programs prepare people to work under the direction of physicians, registered nurses and podiatrists in medical offices and clinics. There are two programs of study: Clinical Medical Assistant and Medical Assistant.

Degrees and Certificates offered at AVC

- Medical Assistant Certificate (non-transferable)
- Medical Assistant AS (non-transferable)

Work Industries and Employers

- Hospitals
- Clinics and medical centers
- Physicians' offices and medical groups
- State and local health departments

- Retirement homes
- Nursing homes
- Health maintenance organizations

Possible Job/Career Titles

- Medical Assistant
- Clinical Medical Assistant
- Office manager
- Case manager
- Trainer

The information reflected is intended to act as a tool for exploration. Please visit the <u>Career Center</u> for more specific information on majors and careers







Next Steps...

Connect with Professional Associations

Associations are a group of people who come together for a common purpose. You can find helpful information about jobs and careers.

- American Association of Medical Assistants
- National Center for Competency Testing
- National Healthcareer Association
- Institute for Credentialing Excellence
- American Society of Podiatric Medical Assistants
- American Medical Certification Association

View Additional Information

- Occupational Outlook Handbook
- Candid Career Videos
- Assist: Student Transfer Information System
- ONET OnLine: Job and Career Exploration
- Linkedin Alumni Tool
- Transfer Schools

Certification Information

- Certified Medical Assistant (CMA) from the <u>American</u>
 Association of Medical Assistants
- Registered Medical Assistant (RMA) from <u>American</u> Medical Technologists
- National Certified Medical Assistant (NCMA) from the National Center for Competency Testing
- Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) from the National Healthcareer Association
- Certified Medical Administrative Assistant (CMAA) from the <u>National Healthcareer Association</u>

Develop your Skills and Experience

- Jobs and Internships (<u>College Central Network</u>)
- Volunteer at Antelope Valley Medical Center

