

HEALTH PROGRAMS





DREAM OF A BETTER TOMORROW

One of today's fastest growing career opportunities is in health care. Most health occupations require a certificate, diploma, or associate degree to enter the profession. Whether you are looking to begin a new career or improve skills in your current job, Craven Community College (Craven CC) offers a variety of health programs ranging from direct patient care to medical office support roles.

Craven CC has prepared thousands of students for healthcare careers for more than 50 years. Today, Craven CC's Health Programs offer associate degrees, diplomas, and certificates in a variety of disciplines. Our Health Programs facilities feature some of the newest technologies and equipment available for teaching. The unique high-tech simulation lab trains students in a learning environment that mimics a hospital setting. Other labs include equipment that is currently used in clinics and hospitals.



132,000

Jobs for Medical Assistants are projected to grow by 18% with over 132,000 positions needing to be filled by 2030.

HEALTH DEGREE PROGRAMS

HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Health Information Technology (HIT) professionals work with computers and data analysis to help clinics get paid correctly, make sure every patient is getting the care they need and deserve, look for patterns where improvement is possible, and help track trends for cancer research. HIT graduates with this diverse skillset can find careers in a wide spectrum of health centers, earn a competitive salary, and continually be challenged.

ASSOCIATE DEGREE IN NURSING (ADN)

Students in the Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program learn the clinical fundamentals and critical thinking skills needed to become a registered nurse (RN). Students gain experience in medical-surgical, maternal/child, critical care, and other areas, enabling them to care for patients in a variety of healthcare facilities.

NURSING – TRANSITION (LPN TO RN)

The LPN to RN Transition program is designed for current licensed practical nurses (LPNs) interested in earning their associate degree in nursing (ADN) to become a registered nurse (RN). LPNs accepted into this program are placed into the transition course. Upon successful completion, they are eligible to join the ADN program in the third semester.

MEDICAL ASSISTING

This versatile medical profession can assist doctors in almost every ambulatory healthcare setting and work with patients at nearly every stage of care. From assisting with examinations, minor surgeries, drawing blood, and administering injections to scheduling or checking in patients and assisting with billing and collections, medical assistants can do it all.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT

Physical therapy is focused on improving an individual's quality of life. Physical Therapist Assistants (PTAs) provide interventions to decrease pain while improving range of mobility, strength, balance, and gait mechanics. Patients range from those with age-related degeneration or recovering from surgery and sport injuries to those with a neurological disorder. Graduates of this nationally accredited program will provide hands-on care that helps patients improve overall physical function.

PRACTICAL NURSING

The Licensed Practical Nursing (LPN) program provides the nursing skills and concepts similar to a registered nurse (RN), but with a limited scope of practice. LPNs work under the direct supervision of a RN and/or doctor in a variety of healthcare facilities. This program can be completed in three semesters and is the first step toward an ADN for many students.

MEDICAL OFFICE ADMINISTRATION

A Medical Office Administration (MOA) degree prepares students for employment as administrative personnel in areas such as medical billing and coding, dental offices, patient services, and medical documents management. With most core classes offered online, students have flexibility and minimal requirements to be on campus. MOA students can also choose to concentrate on medical billing and coding versus a general studies concentration, depending on their career goals.



Nursing

GROWTH OF HEALTH SERVICE EMPLOYMENT

Graduates from Craven Community College Health Programs are being hired by hospitals, urgent care centers, physical therapy offices, physician offices, medical coding facilities, cancer registries, nursing homes, and many others.

In 2019, the U.S. spent \$3.8 trillion on health care versus \$2.6 trillion in 2010. It is expected to reach \$6.2 trillion by 2028. This increase means more qualified providers and caretakers are needed in almost every healthcare field. Additionally, as changes in technology, treatment, and care delivery develop, healthcare roles will continue to expand beyond doctors and nurses.

Nursing is the nation's largest healthcare profession. Most work in acute care settings like hospitals, but many work in the community with families and other professionals to provide counseling and health advice.*

*Additional data and statistics available at <https://www.cms.gov/Research-Statistics-Data-and-Systems/Statistics-Trends-and-Reports/NationalHealthExpendData/NHE-Fact-Sheet>

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2,600,000

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, the healthcare industry is projected to add 2.6 million jobs between 2020 and 2030—more than any other industry.

Employment opportunities are available in hospitals, rehabilitation care, physicians' offices, long-term care, home health facilities, and clinics.

Pharmacy Technician

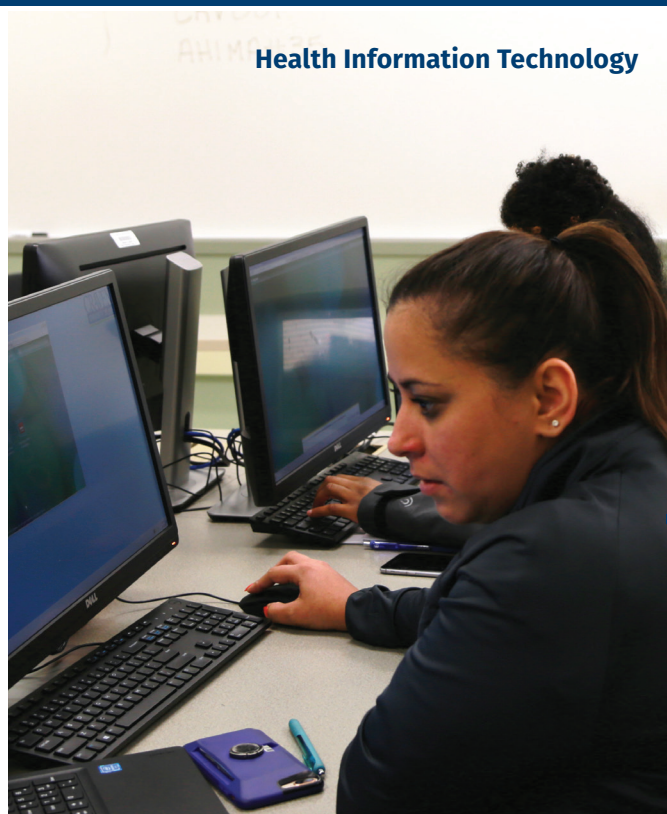
HOW TO PREPARE AND APPLY

Whether you are interested in earning a two-year associate degree or a three-month certificate, start by looking at our college website for application dates, program requirements, and available classes. Once you see how those fit with your schedule, check the prerequisite requirements for the program of your choice. If you still have more questions before you apply or register, we are here to help! Reach out to either our Admissions department or the program directors for answers. Like good health, all of these programs require hard work and dedication, but the reward of helping others makes it well worth the effort.

ASSOCIATE DEGREES AND BEYOND

Some of our associate degree programs have agreements with state and online colleges that accept your core program classes for transfer. This means there are students who earn their Bachelor's in Nursing from ECU or Bachelor's in Health Information Management from St. Joseph's in two years or less after graduating from Craven CC. Want to know more? Ask our Health Programs Admissions Specialist or the program director about the RIBN, aRIBN, or articulation agreements today.

Health Information Technology



SHORT-TERM TRAINING

Quickly prepare for a job in health care through Craven CC's Workforce Development health programs. Students receive streamlined practical training and personalized instruction from experienced instructors for various health occupations. Individual programs range in length from 24 hours to three months. Find the one that works best for you!

NURSE AIDE I (CNA I)

- Entry-level healthcare position that focuses on assisting patients with daily activities

NURSE AIDE II (CNA II)

- Provides all the tasks of a Nurse Aide I and qualified to assist patients with more complicated health issues

PHLEBOTOMY TECHNICIAN

- Works under the supervision of a nurse or doctor to draw blood and prepare it for various tests

PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

- Assists pharmacists with preparing and dispensing prescription medication

CENTRAL STERILE PROCESSING TECHNICIAN

- Works in a medical facility used primarily to clean and sterilize surgical instruments and other medical supplies

EKG TECHNICIAN

- Trained to perform various diagnostic tests, including electrocardiograms, to aid in treating patients with cardiovascular problems

PHYSICAL THERAPY TECHNICIAN

- Works under the supervision of a physical therapist and/or physical therapist assistant to prepare the treatment area for each patient's therapy

Phlebotomy Technician



MEDICATION AIDE

- Usually an add-on certification for a nurse aide that allows them to dispense medications in a nursing home setting

ACTIVITY DIRECTOR

- Qualified to lead recreational activities for individuals at a residential medical facility

VETERINARIAN ASSISTANT

- Entry-level position that works with a veterinarian to perform clerical tasks and basic clinical duties

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