According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor, employment of medical assistants is projected to grow 29 percent from 2012 to 2022, much faster than average for all occupations. An increasing number of group practices, clinics, and other healthcare facilities need support workers, particularly medical assistants, to do both administrative and clinical duties. These duties vary with the location, specialty and size of the practice.

Medical assistants are responsible for performing a variety of the tasks that enable a health-care facility to properly treat its patients. These tasks include, but are not limited to: preparing treatment rooms for patients' examinations; scheduling appointments and maintaining medical records; interviewing patients, measuring vital signs, weight and height, and then recording the information; administering injections, performing venipuncture, electrocardiograph (EKG), and other equipment to administer routine diagnostic tests; and completing insurance forms. The exact duties that a medical assistant performs are unique to the setting in which she or he is employed.

Industries that employ medical assistants include doctors' offices/clinics, urgent care centers, ambulatory care facilities, and osteopathic offices/clinics.

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The Lone Star College Medical Assistant Programs are accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP.org) upon the recommendation of the Medical Assistant Education Review Board (MAERB)

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- Anatomy & Physiology for Medical Assistants
- Medical Assistant Lab Procedures
- Medical Insurance
- Medical Assistant Interpersonal & Communication Skills
- Pharmacology & Administration of Medications
- Electrocardiography
- Medical Law and Ethics
- Medical Assisting Credentialing Exam Review
- Practicum (or field experience) - Medical/Clinical Assistant

Professional development opportunities are available for additional training and licensure.

Representative career titles and job positions for this program plan include:
• Certified Medical Assistant (CMA)
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