

Patient Care Services

Post Secondary & Certification Prep



9TH & 10TH GRADE

PATHWAY OVERVIEW

The Patient Care Services pathway is focused primarily on the changing health status of patients over time. Students in this pathway will learn to work directly with patients and may provide care, treatment, counseling and health education information. With the aging population and retiring workforce, the demand for health care workers will remain high for the foreseeable future. As roles of careers in Therapeutic Services change, professionals in this pathway will find increased opportunities to work in hospitals, physician practices or independently.

Course 1: Intro to Healthcare

Course 2: Essentials of Health Care

Course 3: Patient Care Fundamentals

Students in this program will combine classroom time with time in a lab which provides both inpatient and home health environments.

REAL WORLD OPPORTUNITY

This pathway will provide a foundation to pursue career opportunities in the medical field that include certified nurse assistant, medical assistant, licensed practical nurse, registered nurse and advanced careers such as physician assistant and medical doctor.

11TH & 12TH GRADE

POST SECONDARY & CERTIFICATION PREP

Students who successfully complete the Patient Care Services pathway may choose to continue their health education with this course. In this next level course, students can apply classroom and lab knowledge and skills in a clinical setting as they participate in direct or simulated care. This curriculum allows instructors to provide options for student growth based on the student's interest.

This course will provide the classroom and lab requirements that will position the student for an industry certification. Once this certification is attained, students will have the opportunity to participate in internships with area health care employers.

Other Course Components:

- a) Create a plan for academic achievement in a chosen field.
- b) Present career interest project.
- c) Update personal portfolio to include: 1. resumes; 2. listings of technical skill competencies mastered for the chosen career field as developed by the instructor; 3. community service learning experiences.
- d) Preparation for the Board Exams.

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