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## SAN JACINTO COLLEGE MEDICAL ASSISTING PROGRAM INFORMATION

The Medical Assisting (MDCA) program within the San Jacinto College District (SJCD) is a 3-semester training program, leading to a Certificate of Technology in Medical Assisting. The Medical Assisting curriculum includes classroom theory, skills training, and a 240 \_hour unpaid clinical experience in one of our healthcare settings, located throughout the Houston metropolitan area. The program includes 960 weekly contact hours of classroom and laboratory/clinical hours.

The Medical Assisting program is designed to train medical assistant personnel to perform both administrative and clinical duties and to report directly to an office manager, physician, or other health practitioner. Administrative duties may include answering telephones, greeting patients, updating and filing patient medical records, filling out insurance forms, scheduling appointments, handling billing and bookkeeping. Clinical duties vary according to state law and may include taking medical histories and recording vital signs, explaining treatment procedures to patients, preparing patients for examination, and assisting physicians during examination.

Upon completion of the medical assisting program the student is granted ana certificate of technology, is eligible to sit for the AAMA Certification Examination and earn the AAMA credential of Certified Medical Assistant (CMA-AAMA) and/or the RMA (AMT).

The San Jacinto College Medical Assisting Program is accredited by:

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB).

Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs

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#### SELECTION PROCESS

Applicants must meet eligibility requirements, **including verification of Texas Identification and/or Texas Driver's License**, **and verification of Social Security Card**. All appropriate admissions paperwork, orientations, college ready and the Focus 2-Career assessment (SOS – under Career Resources) must be complete in order to be considered for acceptance

Upon completion of all requirements, qualified applicants will be considered for selection into the program based upon their grade point average (GPA), Career <u>Assessment</u>-Focus 2, and departmental interview.

#### APPLICATION PROCESS

The following <u>checklist</u> is provided to assist you in completing the steps to apply for admission to SJCD and the Medical Assisting program. It is your responsibility to make sure that the office of Enrollment Services receives your college application; high school transcript, college transcripts, and TSIA test scores.

Submit a completed San Jacinto College application to the Enrollment Services office.

This can be done online at <a href="www.sjcd.edu">www.sjcd.edu</a> or <a href="www.sjcd.edu">www.sanjac.edu</a> or in person at the Enrollment Services office on each respective campus. All prospective students must be accepted for admission to San Jacinto College <a href="mailto:before">before</a> they are eligible to apply to the Medical Assisting program.

Note: Admission to San Jacinto College <a href="mailto:does not guarantee admission">does not guarantee admission to the Medical Assisting program.</a>

Submit official transcripts to the Enrollment Services office.

High School ...students must show High School graduation or successful completion of all sections of the GED. Foreign students must submit an evaluation of their High School and/or College instruction from their home land. The evaluation must be evaluated by a San Jacinto College District approved evaluation site. You may obtain a list of approved evaluation sites from the Enrollment Services office. College Transcripts ...students must submit all previous and current official college transcripts to the Enrollment Services office. You may at that time request a copy of the transcript that you are submitting. \*Cumulative grade point average, (GPA) of 2.0 is required.

Dual Credit students are exempt from this requirement.

Attend the mandatory San Jacinto College New Student Orientation (NSO).

Contact an Advisor in the Welcome Center Located on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor, Building N6

The advisor will provide you with options regarding recommended courses to assist you in pursuing your educational career goal.

Career assessment – SOS – click Career Resources. Make a copy of the Career assessment for submission during orientation. Complete Focus 2

Application online and submit all required documentation during application period

The date, time, and location of application period are in the section below.

#### Medical Assisting Applications

Applications will be distributed Monday–Friday @ the North Campus MDCA office located on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Allied Health/Science Bldg., Room N17.2107.

Applications periods for Medical Assisting Program: Summer/Fall semester

All required documents MUST be submitted as a **complete** packet during an Application Period in order to be considered for selection. You must supply the copies – the MDCA department **will not** make copies for you.

Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.

#### **REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION:**

- 1. Acceptance to San Jacinto College & Copy of High School Transcript/GED/equivalent
- 2. Copies of all College Transcripts Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.0 (If you've attended more than one college, we will need to review **all** transcripts.)
- 3. Copy of Focus 2

Once you enter your last semester before externship, MDCA1417 Clinical Procedures you will be REQUIRED to PAY for CASTLEBRANCH, CPR, MA BAG. DO NOT make purchases before being advised by your instructor. If you are missing immunizations contact the Program Director and/or the instructor to set up an immunization schedule before entry into MDCA1417.

4.	PROOF of IMMUNI	ZATIONS			
	Tetanus-Tdap required	Hep B #1	, #2	, or Titer	
	Varicella #1, #	#2, or Titer	Нер Т	iter must be v	vithin the last 3 years
	MMR #1, #2_	, or Titer	Flu (must be v	within the last	year)
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Students enrolling into San Jacinto College programs with external learning experiences (i.e., clinical, practicum, externship, cooperative, etc.) will be required to comply with the immunization requirements and policies of the clinical/external learning sites to engage in all clinical/external learning experiences. Vaccination requirements at clinical/external learning sites are implemented pursuant to the independent authority of such facilities and are not mandated by San Jacinto College. Failure to meet the immunization requirements mandated by clinical/external learning sites may limit a student's ability to complete the program and/or may delay the student's graduation date. San Jacinto College does not process exemptions, and students should address potential vaccination exemptions directly with the clinical/external learning site.

 CPR card – (<u>Health Care Provider</u>) through American Heart Association <u>www.AmericanHeartAssociation.com</u> or call 1-800-242-8721. Your instructor will advise you on this during MDCA1417 Clinical Procedures

Your scrubs must be purchased from NorthShore Medical. Once accepted you will receive information on pricing and location.

# <u>...NO EXCEPTIONS.</u> APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE THEIR OWN COPIES.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING HEPATITIS B REQUIREMENT

All students who are accepted into the Medical Assisting program must document that they have received the full series of three (3) Hepatitis B vaccinations or have the serum titer drawn to confirm complete immunity to Hepatitis B. Prior to clinical, if the third shot is more than three years old you must provide a titer. The series takes approximately **seven (7) months** to complete. Applicants are encouraged to begin the series well ahead of the desired semester of admission.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECK & DRUG SCREEN

Students who are accepted into the Medical Assisting program must pass a criminal background check with no misdemeanors or felonies and a drug screen. Information about this requirement will be discussed in the orientation session. You will be notified by your instructor when to purchase these requirements and will be given a due date for submission of all requirements.

#### San Jacinto College North Campus Medical Assisting Curriculum

Total Samostar Cradit Hours	20
Total Summer Semester Credit Hours	7
MDCA 1560 Clinical	5
MDCA 1254 Certified MA Exam Review	2
Third Semester*	
Total Second Semester Credit Hours	16
MDCA 1302 Human Disease/Pathophysiology	3
MDCA 1417 Procedures in a Clinical Setting	4
MDCA 1310 MA Interpersonal Communication Skills	3
MDCA 1448 Pharmacology & Administration of Medication	4
MDCA 1205 Medical Law and Ethics	2
Second Semester*	
Total First Semester Credit Hours	16
MDCA 1313 Medical Terminology	3
MDCA 1421 Administrative Procedures	4
MDCA 1343 Medical Insurance	3
MDCA 1309 Anatomy and Physiology for Allied Health	3
POFT 1301 Business English	3
First Semester*	

<sup>\*</sup> The pre-requisite for enrolling in the second and summer semester is successful completion of each preceding semester with a minimum grade of "C" in each course.