

# Dakota County Technical College

## HEAL 1005: The Role of the Health Care Technician

### A. COURSE DESCRIPTION

Credits: 2

Lecture Hours/Week: 2

Lab Hours/Week: \*.\*

OJT Hours/Week: \*.\*

Prerequisites: None

Corequisites: None

MnTC Goals: None

The Role of the Patient Care Technician course provides students with the knowledge and understanding of the skills and duties required of Patient Care Technicians.

Topics covered in this course includes: function of the Health Care Tech in a number of settings including (hospital, clinic, office, mobile service, long term care) and more. Patient confidentiality and legal aspects of the Health Care Technician along with safety and work ethics are discussed. The course covers basic aseptic technique and infection prevention along with preparation of the patient for examination and treatment.

Information regarding the National Certification Certified Patient Care Technician (CPCT) is further discussed related to the AAS degree.

**B. COURSE EFFECTIVE DATES:** 08/26/2013 - Present

### C. OUTLINE OF MAJOR CONTENT AREAS

### D. LEARNING OUTCOMES (General)

1. Give examples of changes in healthcare along with current jobs and roles of the Patient Care Technician.
2. Give examples of current issues challenging the healthcare delivery system in the U.S. as it related to the entry level health care positions.
3. Recall the legal and ethical responsibilities of the Patient Care Technician.
4. State the evolution of the patient care technician in the healthcare setting.
5. Understand legal principles in Patient Care in the Health Care Technician role.

### E. Minnesota Transfer Curriculum Goal Area(s) and Competencies

None

### F. LEARNER OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT

As noted on course syllabus

### G. SPECIAL INFORMATION

None noted