Medical assistants are trained to work in ambulatory clinics performing numerous tasks, including checking vital signs, height and weight, drawing and testing blood, testing urine, throat and nasal swabs, injections, electrocardiograms, and infant measurements. They are trained to assist physicians with many types of procedures, including minor surgeries. Medical assistants also learn the administrative side of a medical clinic. Graduates work in many types of clinics, including family practice, cardiology, chiropractic, dermatology, endocrinology, hematology/oncology, internal medicine, pediatric, podiatry, OB-GYN, ophthalmology, optometry, and pulmonology. Optional courses are offered to help students obtain a Limited Radiographer License in Nebraska. Those students then may be able to take X-rays of the chest and/or extremities.

Program Overview:
This program prepares students to become competent entry-level medical assistants in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills) and affective (behavior) learning domains.

New students are admitted to the program in the Spring and Fall quarters.
Students will complete 240 hours of supervised practicum experience in ambulatory health during the final quarter.
Students take the CMA (AAMA) Certification Exam prior to graduating.

Graduate Earnings
Recent graduates report an average starting salary of $28,500 per year.

For more information contact:
Kathy Zabel, Program Chair
402-437-2756, 800-642-4075 ext. 2756
kzabel@southeast.edu
or the College Admissions Office
Lincoln 402-437-2600, 800-642-4075 ext. 2600

The Medical Assisting program is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (www.caahep.org) upon the recommendation of the Medical Assisting Education Review Board. Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs, 25400 U.S. Highway 19 North, Suite 158, Clearwater, FL 33763, 727-210-2350.

Gainful Employment: Please visit www.southeast.edu/medical-assisting-gainful-employment to view important information about the educational debt, earnings, and completion rates of students who attended this program.
Estimated Expenses

Nebraska Resident tuition/fee rate is $69.50 per credit hour. Out-of-state tuition/fee rate is $83.50 per credit hour. Graduation fee is $25.

Housing is available at Beatrice and Milford campuses only. Tuition, books and fees are dependent upon classes taken each quarter.

Students should plan a budget that includes room, meals, clothing, laundry, medical care, recreation and entertainment, transportation, insurance, etc.

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Total Estimate For Program: $6,562

Additional Related Expenses:
- Student Health Statement: $150-300
- Watch with a Second Hand: 25
- Medication Aide Registry: 100-325

General Education Requirements:
Take one general education course from:
- Oral Communications OR
- Written Communications

(See the General Education pages online for a complete list.)

AND

Career and Life Skills
Take BSAD1010 Microsoft Applications I

(Transfer credit for other computer classes might fulfill requirement. Check with your advisor.)

9.0 hours

Program Requirements:
High school biology and other natural sciences are recommended for Medical Assisting students.

Medical Assisting Courses

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49.5 hours

Optional for a total of 6.0 hours:
- MEDA1409 Limited Radiography Prep 1
- MEDA1410 Limited Radiography Prep 2

*Radiography Prep courses are open to the public. Contact Brenda Manning at 402-437-2792 for more information.

Special Program Requirements:
1. Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 required to graduate from program.
2. A current First Aid Certification and Nebraska State Medication Aide Registry are required prior to enrolling in the Practicum course.
3. A current Basic Life support (BLS) for the Health Care Provider (HCP) by American Heart Association or CPR/AED for the Professional Rescuer or Health Care Provider by American Red Cross is required.
4. Submit a completed Health Statement to the Health Sciences Division Office, Room B4 (due during MEDA1205.)
5. A Criminal Background Check will be required of each student in this program. Based on the outcome of the CBC, a student may be prevented from taking certain courses, accessing certain laboratory experiences, or completing the program. A non-refundable fee of $45 will be assessed for this CBC. Please note: Misdemeanor or felony convictions may prevent a graduate from acquiring certification. (Contact the American Association of Medical Assistants Certifying Board for more information.)
6. The following are required prior to the practicum rotation: a two-step skin test for tuberculosis (and/or a chest X-ray) and an influenza immunization.
7. All MEDA and HLTH courses must be completed with a grade of 75% (C+) or higher to progress through the program.
8. Students admitted to a Health Sciences program at Southeast Community College that requires a clinical rotation at a contracted healthcare facility will be required to submit to initial drug and alcohol testing prior to the first clinical rotation.
9. Students are required to attend a mandatory program orientation on campus after registering for MEDA1102.

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Health Information Management Systems
Southeast Community College, in cooperation with Central Community College, provides the opportunity for students to receive an associate degree in Health Information Technology or a Diploma in Medical Coding or Reimbursement Specialist.

If interested, see the Academic Transfer program or contact:
Tracy Buch at 402-437-2755, tbuch@southeast.edu or the College Admissions Office
Lincoln 402-437-2600, 800-642-4075 ext. 2600