DIALYSIS TECHNICIAN



ialysis treatment makes the difference between life and death for patients who suffer from renal (kidney) failure. The Prairie State College (PSC) Dialysis Technician program is designed to teach students how to administer this life-sustaining procedure, a process that cleanses the blood of metabolic waste products.

CERTIFICATION

Upon completion of the 50-hour comprehensive program, dialysis technician students will receive a certificate of completion.



ABOUT THE CURRICULUM

The course prepares students for entry-level employment in a kidney dialysis center. Course content includes medical terminology, anatomy, renal function, and principles of renal dialysis.

Patients generally receive dialysis at a hospital or clinic, with an attending healthcare professional present while the technician operates the medical equipment. Students training to be dialysis technicians will learn to prep patients, give local anesthesia, monitor patients' progress and create written reports for the doctor. Students also will learn how to maintain and operate the equipment used for dialysis. **Textbook and CPR training is included in the tuition cost.**

JOB OUTLOOK

Occupations and industries related to healthcare are projected to add the most jobs during the next decade. The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects jobs in healthcare fields (including dialysis technician positions) to increase by 10.8 percent, or 15.6 million, through 2020.

Refer to the current course schedule for course dates and times or visit prairiestate.edu/ced.



USE INSTANT ENROLLMENT

Register and pay for continuing education courses through Instant Enrollment on WebAdvisor.

To register, go to prairiestate.edu and select How to Register for Non-Credit Courses from the A-Z index.

HOW TO REGISTER

Step I. Review and choose classes

Review and choose classes from the non-credit class schedule online at prairiestate.edu, or request a copy by calling (708) 709-3750.

Step 2. Register

- I. Register online through WebAdvisor by following the Instant Enrollment instructions.
 - If you have a WebAdvisor username and password, please log in before registering.
 - If you are a new student, you will need to fill out the Personal Identification screen to create an account. Your username and password will be emailed to you upon registration.
- 2. Register in person at Enrollment Services on the main campus or at the Matteson Area Center on weekdays. (Please note that only credit and debit card payments are accepted at the Matteson Area Center).
- 3. Register by phone by calling (708) 709-3516 or (708) 709-3750. Please have your credit or debit card information ready.
- 4. Register by mail by completing the registration form at the back of the non-credit schedule. Send payment with completed registration form to Prairie State College, Office of Enrollment Services, 202 South Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, IL 60411. Checks should be made payable to Prairie State College. Driver's license number and phone number must be included on check.

Step 3. Payment

Pay tuition and fees. Payment is due in full at time of registration. Paying by cash or check, Visa, MasterCard, or Discover? Visit the Business Office to pay tuition. Note: Make checks payable to Prairie State College. Driver's license or State ID and a phone number is required for all checks. Prefer to pay at the Matteson Area Center? Only credit and debit cards are accepted for payment there.

REFUNDS

If you register for a non-credit class, but are unable to attend, you must come to the Matteson Area Center and complete a drop form. No refunds will be issued unless requested at least 48 business hours before the first class meeting.

WIA APPROVED COURSE

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) has helped many individuals obtain new job skills and training to make them more employable. If you meet the eligibility requirements and funding is available, WIA may help pay for your tuition, books, and other fees associated with college courses. The Dialysis Technician Program is approved for WIA funding for eligible individuals. For more information on WIA, call (708) 709-7975.

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