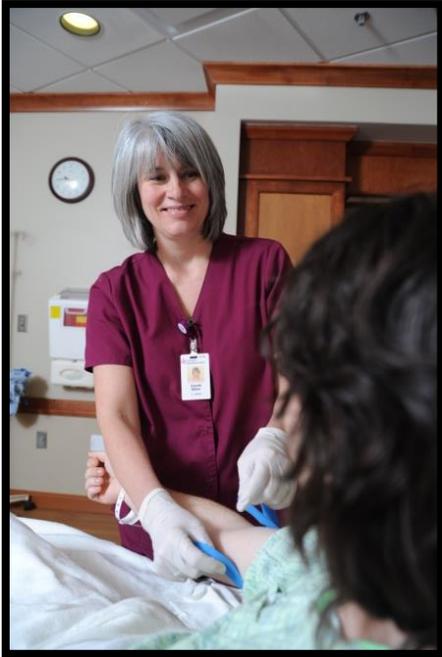


CERTIFIED PHLEBOTOMIST (CPT)



The Phlebotomy Program is a twelve-week program that consists of 246 hours of classroom instruction, skills lab, and lab clinical experiences in a hospital setting. Whether you are donating blood at your local drive or being tested during a doctor's appointment, a Phlebotomist performs the task of drawing your blood. Besides ensuring accuracy and safety, a Phlebotomist comforts patients and answers their questions. The Phlebotomist is trained to collect blood samples and works under the supervision of a physician or a clinical laboratory scientist. Many people choose to become Phlebotomists as a first step toward nursing, medicine and other patient care careers. Phlebotomy graduates find employment in hospitals, clinics, physician offices, diagnostic laboratories, and blood banks.

Jeremiah's Hope Academy is an Eligible Training Provider for WIOA, Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, and the Veterans GI Bill in the State of Alabama. Check with your County's Career Center for more information.

"Training You Can Believe In"

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Application Requirements:

A high school diploma or GED is required. Applicants must be at least 18 years old, complete a background check, and drug screening. Interviews are required. This process is lengthy and competitive but assures that students will be qualified to work in hospitals and healthcare institutions. Nonrefundable application fees required.

Training

Training programs provide instruction and supervised clinical experiences related to basic patient care, interpersonal / communication skills, safety measures, infection control, medical terminology, basic anatomy, CPR certification, and employability skills. Supervised clinical experiences for Phlebotomists occur in the hospital laboratory setting. Successful completion of an approved program in Phlebotomy prepares the student to take the National Healthcare Career Certification Examination.

- **\$20 Application Fee (Non-refundable) due with completed application**
- **Tuition Cost (includes books, supplies and basic cert. fee): \$1,535.00**
- Additional cost for clinical scrubs

*Scholarships are available for those who qualify

Fees effective January, 2018 and are subject to change.

CERTIFIED PHLEBOTOMIST FAQs

Where do Phlebotomists work, what are their hours, and what do they do?

Phlebotomists are most often employed in hospitals, clinics and physician's offices. They also work in diagnostic laboratories and blood banks. Full-time, part-time and flex-time jobs are usually available. Phlebotomists draw blood for tests, prepare test samples and sometimes administer other basic laboratory tests. Phlebotomists work under the supervision of a physician or medical laboratory technician. Phlebotomists may be exposed to infections and major diseases, such as hepatitis, however their training in infection control provides them with procedures to reduce the risk of contracting disease. Because most patients are anxious when having blood drawn, phlebotomists answer a particular vocational call to sacred work by providing an environment of comfort for those they serve.

What can the Phlebotomist expect when providing care to patients?

The patients for whom Phlebotomists provide care may be disoriented, irritable or uncooperative. While the work may be demanding, phlebotomists gain satisfaction from assisting those in need. Additionally, phlebotomists may interact with patient families in stressful situations, and work as a team member with other health care professionals as they provide care for the patient.

What are the physical demands of being a Phlebotomist?

The physical demands Phlebotomists may experience during their training are stooping, bending, walking, kneeling, occasional lifting, occasional carrying, and continuous standing.

What will the Phlebotomy training include?

The Phlebotomist course is a twelve- to fourteen-week program that incorporates classroom, interactive skills lab, and clinical laboratory experiences in a hospital and diagnostic laboratory setting. The student will have an opportunity to perform venipuncture as well as skin punctures on patients to help fulfill the requirement that is mandatory for eligibility to take the National Healthcare Career Examination. Classroom instruction offers the Phlebotomy student a wide variety of classes including Life Skills and Mission Based Care to provide a more holistic view of their role in healthcare delivery.

What is the class schedule for PCA training at Jeremiah's Hope Academy?

The class schedule is dependent upon available classroom space, and is subject to change based upon the classroom needs of St. Vincent's Hospital Birmingham for meetings and training events. You can go to the website at www.jhacademy.org to see the most up to date class schedules.

Can I expect to find employment as a Phlebotomist?

Nearly every hospital and diagnostic clinic/laboratory has frequent openings for Phlebotomists. It is a role that has continuous demand in health care and, with the current health care reform demands, the need is projected to increase.