Medical Assistant

When you walk into a doctor's office, a Medical Assistant may be checking vitals, managing medical records, and/or supporting procedures.



What Students Learn and Do

Medical Assistants work alongside and under the supervision of doctors and other medical staff. Training for this role combines both clinical and office tasks within a medical setting. Students will learn to check patients' vitals, draw blood, remove stitches; and record electronic medical records, appointments, and billing. Graduates of the Medical Assisting Program qualify to take the Certified Clinical Medical Assistant (CCMA) exam.

Academy Pathways - 4 years of Health and Medical Science

Below are suggested academy pathways that will prepare students for the Medical Assistant program.

MEDICAL ASSISTANT				
	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4
Recommended FCPS Standard Courses	Biology or Biology HonorsAlgebra	Chemistry or Chemistry Honors	Physics or Physics Honors or AP Physics 1	Human AnatomyAP Biology orAP Chemistry
Recommended Academy Courses		 Explore Health Sciences (830226)* Exploring the Lang. of Medicine (838326)* 	Medical Assisting I (834527)	Medical Assisting II (834627)

Options After High School

FCPS academy courses provide the training and credentials needed for entry-level employment. Here are some possible career opportunities for medical Assisting graduates.

High School Diploma

- Administrative
 Medical Assistant
- Clinical Medical Assistant
- Records
 Management Clerk
- Specimen Processing Technician

Additional Training

- EKG Technician
- EMT/Paramedic
- Physical Therapy Assistant
- Respiratory Therapy Assistant
- Licensed Practical Nurse
- Ultrasound Technician

Bachelor's Degree

- Registered Nurse
- Health Information Management
- Healthcare
 Administration
- Nutritionist

Advanced Degree

Master's Degree

- Physical Therapist
- Occupational Therapist
- Physician's Assistant

Medical School (MD)

Doctor

^{*} Recommended prerequisites for Medical Assisting I & II