



PATIENT CARE

PATHWAY



PATHWAY OVERVIEW

The Patient Care pathway helps students build knowledge and hands-on skills in health science, patient support, wellness, and professional practice.

Through Introduction to Healthcare Science, Essentials of Healthcare, and Patient Care Fundamentals, students prepare for postsecondary education, industry credentials, and work-based learning experiences connected to the field.



CAREER CLUSTER

Healthcare & Human Services

COURSE SEQUENCE + WORK-BASED LEARNING

1

Introduction to Healthcare Science

Introduces healthcare careers, medical terminology, safety, ethics, communication, anatomy, and foundational patient-care concepts.



2

Essentials of Healthcare

Builds knowledge of body systems, infection control, patient care, and healthcare safety procedures. This course has an embedded science credit.



3

Patient Care Fundamentals

Develops supervised patient-care skills, clinical communication, vital signs, infection control, safety, and compassionate service. Work-Based Learning (Capstone Experience)



Work-Based Learning (Capstone Experience)

Work-based learning placements with healthcare, wellness, human-services, and community partners while following safety and confidentiality expectations.

LEADERSHIP + INDUSTRY CONNECTIONS

CAREER & TECHNICAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION



COMPETITION OPPORTUNITIES



- Patient Care Technician
- Clinical Nursing
- Clinical Specialty
- Home Health Aide
- Physician Assistant
- Medical Reading

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES



- Health education initiatives
- HOSA Bowl
- Community service projects
- Officer Jump Start
- Guest speakers
- HOSA leadership conferences

CO-CURRICULAR / INDUSTRY EXPERIENCES



- CPCT certification
- CPR certification
- Clinical rotations
- Job shadowing
- Community outreach
- Nursing simulations
- Skills labs

SCHOOLS OFFERING THIS PATHWAY

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

CAREERS

Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)

Registered Nurse

Nurse Practitioner

ATLANTA-AREA EMPLOYERS

NORTHSIDE HOSPITAL



EMORY HEALTHCARE



POSTSECONDARY OPPORTUNITIES

LOCAL / REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS



- Georgia State University
- Kennesaw State University
- Atlanta Technical College
- Gwinnett Technical College

DUAL ENROLLMENT



Metro-area dual enrollment options may include sports medicine, cosmetology, nutrition, or human services programs; verify in Georgia Futures.

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