

# EKG Technician



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## Overview

EKG Technicians assist physicians in diagnosing and treating cardiac (heart) and peripheral vascular (blood vessel) ailments by performing diagnostic tests to assess the heart rhythm and rate in patients. They are employed by hospitals and medical/surgical clinics, etc. The 91-hour coursework includes the fundamentals of anatomy and physiology of the cardiovascular system and the role of the electrocardiograph in patient assessment.

National certifications in EKG Technician are available through the National Healthcareer Association (NHA), [www.nhanow.com](http://www.nhanow.com).

Information is subject to change based on industry, facility, or institution requirements. Please note that CPR training must be Basic Life Support through the American Heart Association.

## Estimated Tuition

The cost of the program is \$882. Additional costs include an online background check (\$40, payable by the student), drug screen (\$40, payable by the student), textbooks, and supplies.

NHA Certified EKG Technician (CET) Printed Study Guide 2.0 + Online Practice Test 2.0, and Printed Study Guide 2.0

One pair of Black Scrubs

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### Prerequisites

**ALL** prerequisites **MUST** be completed **ONE WEEK PRIOR** to the start of class including online background check, complete Accuplacer Test, High School Diploma or GED, copy of Social Security Card AND a State-Issued ID or TDL (Names **MUST** match), and all immunization requirements.

- Online Background Investigation (\$40, payable by the student) at <https://portal.castlebranch.com/LK53>. The results take 48-72 hours. For assistance, please see a registration clerk at the Center for Workforce Development.
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- All students are required to have the current immunizations listed below.

### Time Commitment

- Classroom: 64 hours
- Skills: 12 hours
- Professionalism in the Workplace: 7 hours
- AHA BLS for Healthcare Providers: 8 hours
- Total Hours: 91

### Immunization Requirements

To be eligible for clinicals at a facility, you will need to have **ALL** of your shots **PRIOR** to the start of class and you must bring **PROOF** of all shot and titer records to the Center for Workforce Development when registering.

- Hepatitis B — Series of Three doses are required or a Quantitative Titer will be accepted as long as the result shows positive immunity.
- MMR — Must have two doses of vaccination. Titer accepted.
- TB Skin Test (PPD) — Test must be negative and taken within 12 months of the end date of clinical rotations. If positive, chest X-ray with written results from a doctor showing no symptoms of TB accepted OR Chest X-ray with written results within 2 years of the start date of class OR Quan ti FERON® — TB Gold Blood Test.
- Tetanus, Diphtheria & Pertussis (TDaP) — Must be within 10 years of the end date of the class.
- Varicella — Must have two doses of vaccination or titer test with positive results.
- Flu Vaccine — annual — if clinical rotations are to be completed during flu season. (Oct.-March)

In an effort to better serve student needs and interests, we offer programs along with our educational partners, CCI, and Ed2Go. For a listing of those programs visit:

- **CCI:** [www.healthtoday.com/Splash-Page/The-Center-for-Workforce-and-Community-Development](http://www.healthtoday.com/Splash-Page/The-Center-for-Workforce-and-Community-Development)
- **Ed2Go:** [www.ed2go.com/leecollege](http://www.ed2go.com/leecollege)

## Check Eligibility for Licensing Exams

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