
Phlebotomy training course

What is phlebotomy?

Phlebotomy is the collection of blood from patients for examination. This process is usually performed by a phlebotomist who is a specialist clinical support worker or health care assistant. The results from the tests that are taken provide information regarding the diagnosis of the patients' illness.

Phlebotomists are required to take blood without causing the patient any discomfort and need to be able to ensure that the blood is taken correctly. If the sample is damaged during collection it may not be possible to provide a test result.

Course purpose

Our Phlebotomy Training Course enables practitioners to become proficient in performing the skill of phlebotomy safely.

The course provides an introduction to phlebotomy covering general issues such as health and safety, professional responsibility and a practical session.

Who is it aimed at?

The course is aimed at nurses, health care assistants and other health care professionals or individuals either looking for a new career or to train in the skill of phlebotomy.

Our trainers

All courses are delivered by experienced and qualified members of our Clinical Support Services Team.

Course objectives

On completing this course, students will be able to:

- Explain what is a vein and their structure

- Identify the veins associated with blood collection
- Demonstrate the characteristics of a 'good' and 'bad' vein
- Identify patient status that may affect the taking of a sample
- Identify adverse reactions to the procedure
- Demonstrate knowledge of equipment used for the procedure
- Demonstrate knowledge of safer sharps and current legislation
- Demonstrate an understanding of how to deal with sharps injuries
- Demonstrate the correct technique for hand hygiene
- Show an understanding of universal precautions associated with venepuncture
- Have an understanding how the skill of phlebotomy has developed over the years
- Identify types of bottles and preservatives
- Demonstrate correct order of draw
- Have an understanding of the pathology process
- Demonstrate the importance of requirements of sample labelling
- Explain professional accountability and implications to practice

Dates 2019

- 28 June 2019
- 26 July 2019
- 27 September 2019
- 25 October 2019
- 29 November 2019

Duration

1 day: 0900-1600

Venue

All courses on offer by the Pathology Clinical Services Training Centre are delivered at our Clinical Skills Suite, Westbrook House, 3 The Oaks, Newmarket, Suffolk CB8 7XN

Our fees

Course fee is £225 per candidate (or £250 including honorary contract)

Fees include tuition, practical training study materials, Certificate of attendance and refreshments.

We offer a flexible fee structure for larger groups of delegates attending from a single organisation and can provide training on site. Please contact us for further information on 01223 348903

Additional info

Attendees will be taught following procedural policy using equipment as recommended by manufactures guidelines and CUH. Candidates will need to check policies within their own healthcare environment as there may be subtle differences.

On completion of the course candidates will receive a certificate of attendance and not that of competence. A competence training package will be provided to use in candidates own area of work, where it is recommended that candidates are supervised by a suitable competent practitioner. If this is not possible candidates can apply for an honorary contract and gain competence within the supportive environment of the blood test departments at CUH.

Booking

For further information or for details of how to book your place, please contact:

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