

Getting There

Junior College & Community College Programs	Alma Community College	Arapahoe Community College	Colorado Mountain College	Colorado Northwestern Community College	Community College of Aurora	Community College of Denver	Front Range Community College	Lamar Community College	Morgan Community College	Northeastern Junior College	Otero Junior College	Pikes Peak Community College	Pueblo Community College	Red Rocks Community College	Trinidad State Junior College
Allied Health												A			
Anatomy & Physiology											A				
Biology			A		A	A	A			A	A	A		A	A
Case Management/Residential Service Aid						C									
Chemistry			A		A	A	A			A	A	A		A	A
Dental Assistant/Hygienist				A		A	A, C			A	A	A, C	A, C		A
Eldercare Specialist		C													
Emergency Medical Services/Dispatch		A, C	C	A	A, C	A	A, C		C	A, C	C	A, C	A, C	A, C	A, C
Home Health Aide/Health Care Support Tech													C		C
Human Services						A									
Medical Assistant			A, C						C		A	A, C		C	C
Medical Clinical Assisting	A											C			
Medical Office Support		C				C	A, C		C		C	C		A, C	
Medicine										A					
Microbiology										A					
Nursing	A, C	A, C	A, C			A, C	A, C	A, C	A, C	A, C	A, C	A, C	A, C	C	C
Occupational/Rehabilitation/Physical Therapy		A							A	A			A		A, C
Physician Assistant											A			C	
Pre-Med/Health				A	A	A						A			A
Psychology			A		A					A	A	A		A	A
Social Services Technician/Social Work												A, C			

C = Certificate, A = Associate's Degree

Public University Programs	Adams State College	Colorado School of Mines	Colorado State University	Colorado State University - Pueblo	Fort Lewis College	Mesa State College	Metropolitan State College of Denver	University of Colorado at Boulder	University of Colorado at Colorado Springs	University of Colorado Denver	University of Northern Colorado	Western State College
Biochemistry/Molecular Biology		B	B, G	G				B, G				
Biology	B		B, G	B, G	B	A, B	B	B	B, G, C	B, G	B	B
Chemistry	B	B, G	B, G	B, G	B	B	B	B, G	B, G	B, G	B, G	B
Emergency Medical Services												
Microbiology			B, G									
Molecular/Cellular/Developmental Biology								B, G				
Neuroscience			G					G				
Nursing	B			B, G		B, C	B		B, G, C	B, G	B, G, C	
Occupational/Rehabilitation/Physical Therapy			B, G						G		B, G	
Physician Assistant									G			
Psychology	B		B, G	B	B	B	B	G	B, G	B, G	B	B

C = Certificate, A = Associate's Degree, B = Bachelor's Degree, G = Graduate Degree



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Health Care is an industry expected to expand in the coming years. Health care uses the latest technology to diagnose and treat illnesses. Job opportunities in the health care industry are available for people with all levels of training and experience. If you have a sincere desire to help people and a love of learning, a job in health care could be for you!

A Day In the Life of...

Dan Schellenger
Emergency Medical Technician-Paramedic

Luci Magana
Emergency Medical Technician-Basic
Life Care Ambulance
Sterling, CO

As an EMT-Paramedic for Life Care Ambulance in Sterling, Dan finds he is always learning. When Dan began his career as an EMT-Basic, he identified math, English, and biology as the most helpful high school classes to the development of his career. Clinical training taught Dan the fundamentals of paramedicine; however, he credits his patients for continually adding to his knowledge and skills as an EMT-Paramedic.

Dan begins the day by performing preventative maintenance on the ambulance in preparation for 911 calls. He and the other paramedics inspect the ambulance to make sure batteries for all of the equipment are fully charged and all supplies have been restocked. It is very important for the paramedics to be prepared to respond to emergencies quickly and efficiently.

Luci works as an EMT-Basic. She followed her passion for helping people in pursuit of her career. Her experience in the Army's First Aid Combat Unit triggered her interest in paramedic work. When she returned home from the Army, she volunteered for the county's volunteer ambulance service. From there, she earned her CPR and IV certification to become an EMT-Basic.

Luci is a native Spanish-speaker from a small town in eastern Colorado. Her bilingual skills frequently help her communicate with her patients in Sterling. "The most rewarding part about being an EMT," says Luci, "is seeing that people are okay because of you."

Start Exploring Health Care Careers

Step 1: Identify your interests
Compare your interests, skills and work values with health care occupations using Labor Market Information's Career Explorer:
Visit www.colmigateway.com

- Click on "Services for Individuals"
- Choose "Career Services"

This will take you to "Career Explorer" where you can match your skills to occupations.

Step 2: Explore the health care industry & careers
Learn about high-growth, in-demand careers and what they pay on the LMI Gateway website:
www.colmigateway.com

For more information on a career in health care, check out www.chahrm.org/

Step 3: Find education, training & financial aid
Discover the best education or training institutions for your career goals and how to get money for school at www.collegeincolorado.org

Step 4: Find available job openings
www.connectingcolorado.com

A Day in the Life of...

Claire Van Nostrand

Director of Nursing
Abbey Road - Memory Care
Assisted Living
Centennial, CO

Claire has a great deal of responsibility as the director of nursing at Abbey Road, but her first love is taking care of its residents. Along with her managerial duties, Claire supervises 25 staff members, and monitors the daily health and wellness of the residents at the assisted living center.

Always passionate about science, the registered nurse especially loved the biology, anatomy, and physiology classes she took in high school. Her strong interest in science and desire to help people led her to pursue a bachelor of science in Nursing. "My favorite part of my job is spending time with the residents and making sure they are well cared for and happy," she says.



Who do you want to be tomorrow?

Occupation	Wage Range (Employment)	Minimum Education/Training	Suggested Programs of Study
Registered Nurses <i>Assess patient health problems & needs & maintain medical records.</i>	\$56,895 - \$81,023 (41,860)	Associate's Degree, Bachelor's Degree	Allied Health, Anatomy & Physiology, Nursing
Nursing Aides <i>Provide basic patient care under direction of nursing staff.</i>	\$24,017 - \$31,308 (17,200)	Short-term on-the-job training, Certificate	Health Care Support Technician, Nursing
Personal Care Aides <i>Assist elderly or disabled adults with daily living activities at person's home or facility.</i>	\$18,266 - \$22,818 (18,290)	Short-term on-the-job training	Eldercare Specialist, Health Care Support Technician
Home Health Aides <i>Provide routine personal healthcare in the home of patients or in residential care facility.</i>	\$19,492 - \$28,532 (10,360)	Short-term on-the-job training	Case Management/Residential Service Aid, Health Care Support Technician, Home Health Aide
Receptionists & Information Clerks <i>Answer inquiries & obtain information for general public & other interested parties.</i>	\$23,338 - \$34,730 (20,710)	Short-term on-the-job training, Associate's Degree	Medical Office Support
Medical Assistants <i>Perform administrative & certain clinical duties under direction of physician.</i>	\$27,605 - \$36,916 (9,030)	Moderate-term on-the-job training, Certificate, Associate's Degree	Medical Assistant, Medical Clinical Assisting, Physician Assistant
Licensed Practical & Licensed Vocational Nurses <i>Care for ill, injured, convalescent, or disabled persons in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, private homes, & similar institutions.</i>	\$39,722 - \$52,062 (5,750)	Certificate, Associate's Degree	Allied Health, Nursing
Dental Assistants <i>Assist dentist, set up patient and equipment, & keep records.</i>	\$29,964 - \$44,616 (6,050)	Moderate-term on-the-job training, Certificate	Dental Assistant
Physicians & Surgeons, All Other <i>Perform medical examinations & surgeries on patients.</i>	\$162,298 - \$187,560 (2,500)	First professional degree	Anatomy & Physiology, Biochemistry/Molecular Biology, Biology, Chemistry, Medicine, Microbiology, Molecular/Cellular/ Developmental Biology, Neuroscience, Pre-Med/Health
Medical Secretaries <i>Perform secretarial duties utilizing knowledge of hospital, clinic, or laboratory procedures.</i>	\$27,587 - \$39,209 (7,310)	Certificate	Medical Office Support
Physical Therapists <i>Plan & organize rehabilitative programs that improve mobility of patients.</i>	\$61,990 - \$87,616 (4,560)	Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree	Allied Health, Occupational/Rehabilitation/ Physical Therapy
Dental Hygienists <i>Clean teeth & examine oral areas for signs of oral disease.</i>	\$69,525 - \$88,625 (3,980)	Associate's Degree, Bachelor's Degree	Dental Hygienist
Emergency Medical Technicians & Paramedics <i>Assess injuries, administer emergency medical care, & extricate trapped persons.</i>	\$25,072 - \$52,169 (3,270)	Certificate	Emergency Medical Services/Dispatch
Office Clerks, General <i>Perform office procedural duties.</i>	\$23,945 - \$40,851 (28,380)	Short-term on-the-job training, Certificate	Medical Office Support
Social & Human Service Assistants <i>Assist professionals to provide client services as well as support for families.</i>	\$22,215 - \$36,820 (3,180)	Moderate-term on-the-job training, Bachelor's Degree	Human Services, Psychology, Social Services Technician, Social Work



Apprenticeship

The Employment and Training Division of the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment offers the following apprenticeships for occupations in health care:

- Nurse Assistant
- Podiatric Assistant

For more information, please visit: www.coworkforce.com/emp/ApprenticeMenu.htm

The U.S. Department of Labor's Apprenticeship program also provides opportunities in the following fields of health care:

- Dental Assistant
- Fire Medic

For more information, please visit: www.dolera.gov/oa/apprentices.cfm

Did you know?

The health care industry will continue to grow by more than 20% in the next 10 years! There's no better time to pursue a career in health care.