HI 7200
Mental Health Support Specialist

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TUITION	DURATION	TARGET CERTIFICATION	ISSUING AUTHORITIES	REQUIREMENTS
$2,500	14 weeks	Mental Health Technician Certification (MHTC)	AMCA American Medical Certification Association	High School Diploma or GED. Laptop/PC with built-in or external microphone

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PROGRAM DETAILS

The Mental Health Support Specialist program prepares students for a rewarding and in-demand career in mental health care. In this profession, mental health support specialists assist licensed mental health professionals, such as psychiatrists, psychiatric nurse practitioners and therapists, in the comprehensive care of psychiatric patients.

This program prepares students to become Mental Health Technician Certified (MHTC) by the American Medical Certification Association (AMCA). Students who earn the AMCA designation have demonstrated the knowledge of processes and procedures in mental health care, pharmacology, medical office and patient care skills, including practice settings, and a broad understanding of psychological development, including mental health disorders.

The primary course in this program is H1-7013: Fundamentals of Mental Health Care immerses students into the world of a Mental Health Support Specialist through virtual scenario-based learning exercises and brings three-dimensional clinical skills demonstrations right to the learner's desktop.

HI-1014: Introduction to Human Anatomy and Medical Terminology is included to lay the important foundation for the language of medicine and build a fundamental understanding of basic human anatomy and physiology.

Today's top job candidates not only need to be prepared to pass a certification exam but must also be equipped with soft skills and knowledge that allow for success on the job in any environment. This program contains training in professionalism designed with input from employers and professionals in the field of allied health. PS-1011: Professionalism in Allied Health equips students with essential soft skills that are in demand and expected by employers in a competitive job market.

Payment for the MHTC exam is provided by MedCerts.

CAREER SERVICES

For all MedCerts Students that are not affiliated with an employer partner, you also have the added benefit of Job Search Assistance including guidance with resume building, networking, interviewing, and job search tips.

ATTAINABLE CAREERS

- Behavioral Health Aide/Technician
- Psychiatric Technician
- Health Care Aide/Technician
- Mental Health Specialist
- Therapeutic Program Worker
- Residential Aide

Throughout the Mental Health Support Specialist program, students will learn the skills to:

✓ Distinguish intake, crisis care, inpatient care, and discharge duties

✓ Recognize psychology and substance use terminology and apply that knowledge where applicable to psychiatric team communication

✓ Demonstrate skills in observation, communication, interpersonal needs and working well under stress

✓ Maintain client confidentiality and adhere to HIPAA and HITECH privacy and security laws

✓ Demonstrate understanding of Electronic Health Record (EHR) functionality and documentation

While MedCerts training and related target certifications may be accepted and/or approved by your state of residency, employers reserve the right to dictate pre-requisite education, experience, or certification/licensure requirements for their positions. These requirements may exclude a MedCerts graduate from eligibility. We strongly advise students to research target job posts from area employers and relevant state requirements, barriers or restrictions to ensure eligibility upon graduation.

This program is NOT accepted in the following states: AR, MO, ND, NV, OK, PA, RI, SC, WI

Residents in the states NV, CA, CO, and KS – speak with an Education Consultant for more information on restrictions

TARGET CERTIFICATIONS

Certifications	Issuing Authority	Exam Details
Mental Health Technician Certification (MHTC)	The American Medical Certification Association (AMCA)	100 multiple choice questions Time limit: 2 hours

Course Code	Title	Hours	Weeks	Course Materials (Included)
PS-1011	Professionalism in Allied Health	32	2	None
HI-1014	Introduction to Human Anatomy and Medical Terminology	96	6	PDF
HI-7013	Fundamentals of Mental Health Care	96	6	eBook

EXPERIENTIAL/CLINICAL COMPONENT:

Experiential/Clinical Component Requirements (not applicable to the HI-7200 Mental Health Support Specialist) – Once students complete this program, they will be able to immediately start working with Career Services at MedCerts. Experiential learning or clinicals are not required to get a job in this field.

CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS AND DRUG SCREENING POLICY:

MedCerts does not perform criminal background checks, nor do we test students for illicit drug use. Please be advised that while MedCerts does not perform these checks, the student's drug, criminal, or immunization status may prevent clinical/externship placement and future employment as a healthcare or IT professionals. Externship sites, employers, and State Boards of Pharmacy or other regulatory boards have regulations about immunizations, drug use, and criminal backgrounds. Regulatory boards, externship sites, employers, and other organizations that may require these screenings for placement, and adverse results may prohibit you from moving forward in the program. Candidates with a felony conviction are not eligible to participate in ANY MedCerts program that includes the Pharmacy Technician certification as a primary or secondary certification

The student understands that MedCerts does not hold any control over the drug, immunization, criminal, or background screening processes or policies held by any organization outside of MedCerts.

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Upon 100% completion of this program, students will receive a "MedCerts Certificate of Completion." This is proof of completion of training but isn't a nationally recognized certification. Students are expected to take and pass the national certification exam through the issuing authority for recognized certification in their field.