# ST 3000

# Surgical Technologist

TUITION DURATIO

18 weeks

\$4,000

TARGET CERTIFICATION

ISSUING AUTHORITIES

National Center for Competency Testing REQUIREMENTS

See Program Details for enrollment requirements



#### PROGRAM DETAILS

The MedCerts Surgical Technologist program provides students with immersive and virtual hands-on learning experiences that allow for demonstration of key clinical skills. Surgical procedures are demonstrated using virtual tools or liverecorded video and are simulated – allowing the student to immerse him/herself into a virtual experience that is engaging, safe, and repeatable.

Tech in Surgery - Certified (TS-C)

This program prepares students to become Tech in Surgery – Certified (TS-C) by the National Center for Competency Testing (NCCT). Professionals who earn the TS-C designation have the clinical skills and knowledge for maintaining asepsis during surgery, anticipating the surgeon's needs, and remaining attentive to all aspects of the surgical procedure to ensure a safe environment for the patient.

### Program applicants must meet ONE of the following requirements:

- 1. Associate's degree, or higher
- 2. Enrolled in college/university-level degree program related to medical field
- 3. Hold current certification in Sterile Processing, or related field.
- 4. Min. two (2) yrs related experience:
  - a. Surgical technology experience not required, but must be w/in clinical/medical/healthcare environment. Direct patient care experience required.
- 5. Employer Sponsorship
  - a. Sponsorship Acknowledgement form signed by prospective employer agreeing to host graduate for post-program surgical cases (scrubs) as full-time/part-time employee, extern, or apprentice required to attain TS-C certification.

#### ATTAINABLE CAREERS

- Surgical Technologist
- Surgical Technician
- Travel Surgical Technician
- Certified Scrub Technician
- Operating Room Technician
- Surgical Assistant

Throughout the Surgical Technologist program, students will learn the skills to:

- Maintain sterile operative fields
- Maintain inventory of medical supplies or equipment
- Assist healthcare practitioners during surgery
- Prepare biological specimens for laboratory analysis
- Sterilize medical equipment or instruments
- Monitor patient conditions during treatments, procedures, or activities

#### **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.

\*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: CT, ID, IL, MA, NV, NY, SC, TN,TX, VA, and OR.



## TARGET CERTIFICATIONS

Certifications	Issuing Authority	Exam Details
Tech in Surgery - Certified (TS-C)	National Center for Competency Testing (NCCT)	4 Hours, 175 questions/25 pretest

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-6016	Surgical Technology	160	10	eBook

#### EXPERIENTIAL/CLINICAL COMPONENT:

To be eligible for the TS-C certification, graduates must complete CASE DOCUMENTATION. Case documentation requires a minimum of 125 surgical cases, including a minimum of 30 scrubs in general surgery (with a maximum of 50); a minimum of 20 scrubs in orthopedic surgery; and a minimum of 75 scrubs in at least (3) three of the following areas: Gynecology, Genitourinary, Cardiovascular, Neurosurgery, Obstetrics. Thoracic, Peripheral Vascular, Ophthalmology, Otorhinolaryngology, Plastic/Reconstructive, other (specify). At least 90 of the 125 cases must be 1st scrub cases. MedCerts students must complete these clinical hours before attempting to take the Tech in Surgery - Certified national certification exam issued through the NCCT. Students enrolling through an Employer or Academic Sponsored program are not required to complete clinical elements before attempting the certification exam. Students are responsible for locating and securing a site to fulfill the clinical requirements of the program. MedCerts cannot guarantee placement to complete this clinical requirement.

#### 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.



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