

Admission Requirements

Placement Assessments.

All students must have achieved minimum levels for math and reading prior to being accepted. Requirements may be satisfied by college or high school coursework, or completing the appropriate placement assessments: ACT®, ACCUPLACER®, ALEKS® or SAT®. Students should submit their high school or official college transcripts or assessment results to the Admissions Office for consideration of an assessment waiver. The placement assessment must have occurred within three years of your application date. Medical Assistant applicants must meet one of the following minimum requirements for math and reading placement:

- Math - ALEKS® 14 | ACT® 16 | SAT® 430
- Reading - ACCUPLACER® 70 | ACCUPLACERNEXTGENERATION® 250 | ACT® 19

Admission Status

Pending Requirements.

Students with a pending requirements status have submitted an application to the Medical Assistant program but have not completed one or more of the admission requirements outlined above. Students with a pending requirements status are not ranked on the waitlist until all requirements have been satisfied.

Waitlist.

Waitlist students have all the admission requirements completed and are waiting for acceptance into the Medical Assistant program. A waitlist is necessary due to limited capacity for program enrollment. Students are ranked on the waitlist based on the date they complete all admission requirements.

Accepted.

The Medical Assistant program begins in the fall. Students at the top of the waitlist are offered acceptance into the program and are required to respond by the stated deadline to avoid cancellation of their application. A student who refuses an acceptance offer will be placed at the bottom of the waitlist as of the date the Admission Office receives notice of their intent not to enroll.

PROGRAM COSTS	MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Tuition/Fees	\$9,250 in-state* \$10,570 out-of-state*
Background Check, Drug Test and Medical Document Manager	\$100
Physical Exam/Immunizations (Varies based on health coverage.)	Undetermined
Lab Supplies and Fees	\$287
Apparel (estimated)	\$190
Clinical Transportation (Gas and Lodging)	Undetermined
Books (estimated)	\$1,800
TOTAL	\$11,627 in-state \$12,947 out-of-state

*The costs above are provided as a guide to financing your education. The costs provided are estimated at time of publication and do not reflect the exact cost a student may incur.
Based on the 2024-2025 tuition and fee rates.

Program Requirements

The following requirements must be satisfied within the first semester of the Medical Assistant program at Northeast Iowa Community College (NICC). A student who does not successfully satisfy the program requirements will be placed at the bottom of the waitlist after submission of the required paperwork.

Orientation.

Attendance at a mandatory program orientation (usually one week prior to the start of the program). Notice of orientation dates and times will occur after registration into the program courses.

Training.

- Complete the American Heart Association Health Care Professional BLS or American Red Cross CPR for Healthcare Providers
- Mandatory Reporter Child and Dependent Adult Abuse
- NICC HIPAA and Bloodborne Pathogen

Student Health and Background Screening.

- Complete the CastleBranch package to certify and collect compliance documents required of healthcare professionals.
- Criminal, dependent adult and child abuse background screening
- Physical and immunization records (time sensitive, one year expiration)
- Drug testing
- Provide annual proof of health insurance coverage prior to lab and clinical experiences.
- For more detailed information and instructions visit: nicc.edu/programrequirements

Resources

nicc.edu/medicalassistant www.caahep.org

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