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Campbellsville University to begin allied health programs in Hodgenville

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CAMPBELLSVILLE, Ky. – Campbellsville University Technology Training Center, in partnership with the Lake Cumberland Area Development District and Lincoln Trail Development District, is offering three new allied health programs in Hodgenville with the first program beginning Sept. 14.

Carol Sullivan, director of the Campbellsville University Technology Training Center, said the programs consist of medical transcription, clinical medical assistant and phlebotomy. All classes are taught at the Brockman Center, 813 Old Elizabethtown Road, Hodgenville.

“The most critical need in the health care industry in this area of Kentucky is medical personnel,” Sullivan said.

“Training in medical transcription, clinical medical assistant and phlebotomy are essential in meeting this critical need. U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics sites all of these as ‘Occupations with the Largest Employment Growth, 2008-18.’

“We are excited for the opportunity to offer programs that will be so beneficial to the area.”

The medical transcription class begins Sept. 14 and will be taught Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Completion date for the class is Dec. 21.

The clinical medical assistant class begins Sept. 28 and is taught on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. with a completion date of June 15, 2011. Clinical

days start Wednesday, March 30, 2011 and will be every Wednesday, eight hours daily, until June 15, 2011.

Buffy Ryan, an allied health instructor at Campbellsville University, will be teaching the medical transcription and clinical medical assistant classes.

The phlebotomy class begins March 21, 2011 on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. plus varied clinical hours totaling 100 hours. Completion date of that class is May 31, 2011.

Debbie Glasscock, Spring View Hospital lab technician, will be teaching phlebotomy.

Upon completion of the program, students will receive certificates of training in their chosen discipline.

Sullivan said applicants for the classes must be at least 18 years of age and have a high school diploma or equivalent. In addition, applicants must meet certain eligibility requirements and consent to a background check and/or drug screen.

Sullivan gave a description of the courses. She said the following:

“A medical transcriptionist converts confidential patient information to a written text document. Topics covered in this course will consist of medical terminology, basic anatomy and physiology, basic computer skills and much more.

“A clinical medical assistant usually works in a medical office where they perform skills ranging from scheduling appointments to assisting with examinations. Some of the topics covered include basic anatomy and physiology, basic pharmacology and medical math, infection control, communication techniques, patient exams, CPR and

much more. Clinical medical assistant training will consist of classroom, lab practice and clinical hours.

“A phlebotomist draws blood samples from patients or blood donors and prepares those specimens for medical testing. Phlebotomy training will consist of classroom and clinical hours where students will learn skills such as basic venipuncture techniques, capillary techniques, lab equipment handling skills, infection control and much more.”

For more information about the programs, contact Sullivan at Campbellsville University Technology Training Center at 270-789-5392.

Campbellsville University is a widely acclaimed Kentucky-based Christian university with over 3,000 students offering 45 undergraduate programs, 16 master’s degrees and five postgraduate areas. The website for complete information is campbellsville.edu.