SP 3000

STERILE PROCESSING **TECHNICIAN**

DURATION

14 Weeks

REOUIREMENTS High School Diploma or GED

PROGRAM DETAILS

The Southern Adventist University online Sterile Processing program prepares students to gain industry certification and ultimately to work in hospitals, surgery centers, clinics and other healthcare facilities. Students will learn medical terminology, compliance standards related to the role and differentiate methods for quality control and assurance. Our online Sterile Processing Technician Training identifies the central service workflow processes for cleaning, decontamination, preparation and packaging to sterilization and storage or surgical instruments and equipment.

Our highly immersive program utilizes our 12 Elements of eLearning components to keep student engaged, stimulated and entertained throughout their training. Because sterile processing tasks, by nature, typically involve hands-on interaction we placed an increased focus on immersive and high level interactivity courses. Our students feel as though they are part of the process and their physical actions play a vital role in their learning.

Upon completion, students are eligible to sit for the provisional certification exam for Certified Registered Central Service Technician (CRCST) sponsored by the Healthcare Sterile Processing Association (HSPA). Full certification is obtained after acquiring 400 hours of hands-on sterile processing experience within six months of provisional certification.

ATTAINABLE CAREERS

Sterile Processing Technician

Sterile Processing and **Distribution Technician**

Instrument Technician

Central Processing Technician

Central Service Technician

COURSES

PS 1011 - Professionalism in Allied Health

HI 1014 - Introduction to Human Anatomy & Medical Terminology

HI 6014 - Sterile Processing

AT THE END OF THIS PROGRAM, YOU WILL BE ABLE TO:

- Prepare for Certified Registered Central Service Technician (CRCST) certification
- Obtain knowledge of medical terminology, disease processes, anatomy and physiology
- Explain the importance of customer service, communication skills and professionalism
- Discuss compliance standards and the role of HIPAA. OSHA. CDC, FDA, ANSI, AAMI and other regulating agencies
- Identify central service workflow processes for cleaning, decontamination, preparation and packaging to sterilization and storage or surgical instruments and equipment
- Describe the importance of manufacturer's instructions for use (IFU), infection control and use of personal protective equipment (PPE) throughout central service areas and their impact on personal and patient safety
- Differentiation methods for quality control and assurance and the necessity of central service process documentation

TARGET CERTIFICATIONS

CRCST Certified Registered Central Service Technician

CSC Customer Service Certified

ISSUING AUTHORITIES





HEALTHCARE STERILE PROCESSING

**PLEASE NOTE: Students residing in the states of New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Tennessee and Pennsylvania - these states require that Central Service Technicians become certified within a state-mandated period of time after employment (range from 1.5 - 3 years). This is NOT a barrier to enrollment for students but should be reviewed with the Workforce Training Specialist at time of enrollment



