

Phlebotomy

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Description of the Job

As a phlebotomist, you are responsible for drawing blood from patients and delivering this blood to local laboratories for testing. Expect to draw blood from babies, children, young adults and elderly patients on a daily basis.

Phlebotomist Job Duties

As a phlebotomist, you will be the one who draws blood from patients, collects a variety of other specimen samples as well as label the blood vials that you have filled. You will also be responsible for bringing all blood and specimen samples to the laboratory either in the hospital you are working in or locally in the area. Below is a quick list of the job duties that you should expect when working as a phlebotomy technician.

- collect blood samples from patients
- practice proper patient identification, especially when working on hospital floors
- label vials with patient names and dates
- decipher the best method for drawing blood depending on the specific patient
- transport all specimen samples to a nearby laboratory
- data entry of patient demographics in the Laboratory Information System (LIS)
- centrifuge blood samples, send samples to appropriate departments, aliquot samples for send outs to reference laboratories
- expect to work with many patients varying in age and health status
- be friendly, courteous and sympathetic when it comes to working with patients
- keep your phlebotomy cart or station well-organized at all times
- practice infection control standards at all times when working with patients and equipment