Presenting at the PMED Elective on Friday, September 17, 2010 regarding the Phlebotomy program at Methodist:

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Notes –
A Phlebotomy Technician
• Works directly with patient
• Important responsibility of collecting blood specimens from patients
• Accurate and excellent communicators
• Committed to quality healthcare delivery
• Interacts with all members of the healthcare team

Duties:
• Correct identification of the patient before sample collection
• Collection of the appropriate amount of blood by venipuncture, dermal puncture, and arterial puncture for the specified tests
• Process specimens for laboratory testing
• Performing waived point of care laboratory tests

Other duties could include:
• Performing electrocardiograms
• Performing measurement of patient’s vital signs
• Collection of arterial blood specimens
• Collection of specimens from venous access devices (CVAD)
• Assist the physician in bone marrow aspiration procedures

Reasons for Phlebotomy training
• Earn money while attending college
• Provides clinical “hands on” experience with patients
• Real-life patient interaction
• Introduction to other healthcare professions
• Resume/professional school application

To become a Phlebotomy Technician:
• High school diploma
• Complete an accredited phlebotomy technician program or have acceptable work experience.
• Take the certification examination given by the Board of Registry of the American Society for Clinical Pathology.

Major topics of study in training program at Methodist:
• Health care delivery system
• Laboratory structure and function
• Basic medical terminology
• Circulatory system
• Blood collection equipment and techniques
• Complications and remedies
• Specimen handling, transportation, and processing

For more info on the program offered at Methodist:

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• Visit us online at www.methodistcollege.edu
PHLEBOTOMY TRAINING at Iowa Western Community College

March 21, 2011 – April 27, 2011
Classroom Dates/Times - Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays - 9:00 a.m.—1:15 p.m.
Clinical Dates/Times - May 2—May 20, 2011- Monday through Friday - (hours vary depending on clinical site) 
Wrap-up- May 23-25, 2011 
Prep for ASCP National Certification Exam - Final Exam- May 27, 2011

Faculty: Salli Cosgrove, MPA, MT (ASCP), Phlebotomy Instructor 
Fee: $810 

This program will prepare students to function as phlebotomists whose responsibilities include venipuncture and blood draw micro-collection techniques. The procedures are performed on patients of all ages at clinics, hospital labs, blood and plasma donation centers, outpatient care centers and nursing homes.
The 192 hour course includes lecture, classroom activities, lab and clinical at a laboratory in a hospital.
Upon successful completion of this course, students will qualify to take the ASCP Phlebotomy Certification Exam.

KAPLAN UNIVERSITY - Phlebotomist Certificate – available at some campuses 

According to the U.S. Department of Labor, job opportunities for phlebotomists are expected to be excellent, as the demand is expected to exceed the number of professionals in this field. Formal training from Kaplan University could help you acquire the knowledge and skills you need to enter this high-demand field.
The phlebotomist program combines classroom instruction with hands-on training in our medical labs to help you develop the highly technical skill of intravenous blood withdrawal. Coursework may include:
Keyboarding and data information processing Presentation skills
Medical terminology Real-World Externship Experience
Introduction to human diseases

Prior to completing this program, you will be required to complete an externship to gain on-the-job experience as a phlebotomist. You must be certified in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) prior to starting your externship.

Certification Preparation
The curriculum is also intended to prepare you for the Phlebotomy Technician Exam sponsored by the American Society for Clinical Pathology (ASCP). †

Career Opportunities
Upon successful completion of the program, you will be awarded a Phlebotomist Certificate. This program is designed to prepare you to seek entry-level employment as a phlebotomist in clinics, drug treatment centers, surgical centers, labs, hospitals, or other health care facilities.

PHLEBOTOMY LINKS:

http://www.nationalphlebotomy.org/ 
http://ascp.org/ - American Society of Clinical Pathologists