

## Health Information Management

### Associate of Applied Science Degree

#### Program Overview:

The Health Information Management program prepares students to become Health Information Technicians (HIT). The curriculum consists of a combination of classroom, laboratory, and clinical practice. Graduates are eligible to take the national exam administered by the American Health Information Management Association and receive recognition as a Registered Health Information Technician (RHIT) upon passing the examination.

#### How Much Can I Earn?

\$18,360-\$33,050

\*wages and salary data provided by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Tennessee Department of Labor

#### What Will I Do On The Job?

HIM professionals play a critical role in maintaining, collecting and analyzing the data that doctors, nurses and other healthcare providers rely on to deliver quality healthcare. They are experts in managing patient health information and medical records, administering computer information systems and coding the diagnosis and procedures for healthcare services provided to patients.

#### What Skills Will I Use On The Job?

It helps to be very detail-oriented, good with numbers, customer service oriented and comfortable working with computers.

#### Possible Job Titles:

Health Data Analyst, Insurance Claims Analyst, Records Technician Specialist, Clinical Coding Specialist, Physician Practice Manager, or Patient Information Coordinator.

#### Who Will Hire Me?

HIM professionals work in a multitude of settings throughout the healthcare industry including hospitals, physician offices and clinics, long-term care facilities, insurance companies, government agencies and home care providers. Chattanooga State graduates work with such organizations as: Tennessee Valley Pain Management, Chattanooga Allergy Clinic, Healthport, Parkridge Medical Center East, Hutcheson Medical Center, Memorial Hospital, Hospice, BlueCross BlueShield, Cigna, Erlanger, Healthcare Billing Services.

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