

CAREERS FOR THE 21ST CENTURY: HEALTH SERVICE OCCUPATIONS

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DESCRIPTION

Introduces eight health service occupations, noting some challenges and rewards of each. Addresses typical job duties and responsibilities, suggested skills and aptitudes, (1997) average wage and salary ranges, education and training, and employment outlook. Includes: physical therapists and aides, nursing assistants, home health aides, massage therapists, occupational therapy assistants and aides, dental and medical assistants, and medical secretaries. Corresponds to "Occupational Outlook Handbook" categories.

ACADEMIC STANDARDS

Subject Area: Life Work

- Standard: Makes general preparation for entering the workforce
 - Benchmark: Determines the type of preparation and training needed for entrylevel jobs
 - Benchmark: Evaluates the chances of getting a job now and in the future in fields of work that are of interest

INSTRUCTIONAL GOALS

- 1. To introduce health service occupations.
- 2. To define the purpose and goals of various occupations within the field.
- 3. To present the work environment, work activities and the skills required of each occupation.
- 4. To examine the educational requirements, salary earnings and the job outlook for a career in a health service occupation.



BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Each occupation in the video has a projected job outlook. The following chart will assist in comprehending what the job outlook is for a specific occupation.

JOB OUTLOOK CHART

If the job outlook is:	Employment is projected to:
Excellent	Grow much faster than average (36%+)
Very good	Grow faster than average (21% - 35%)
Good	Grow about as fast as average (10% - 20%)
Fair	Grow more slowly or decline (-10% - 9%)

VOCABULARY

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4. occupational therapy

2. hospice

5. physical therapy

3. massage

BEFORE SHOWING

- 1. Define the word *career*.
- 2. Discuss your thoughts regarding your future career.
- 3. Think about your personal strengths and weaknesses as you view each segment.
- 4. Discuss vocabulary words used in the video.

DURING SHOWING

- Stop the video at the end of each job segment to allow time to complete notes on the "Health Service Occupations Note-Taking Table." (See INSTRUCTIONAL GRAPHICS.)
- 2. Replay each segment of the video as necessary.

AFTER SHOWING

Discussion Items and Questions

- 1. Describe health service occupations.
- 2. Discuss the importance of these occupations in our society.
- 3. Discuss the educational background needed for these occupations.
- 4. Define an associate's degree, a bachelor's degree, a master's degree and a Ph.D.

Applications and Activities

- 1. Examine the job outlook for each occupation. Discuss the importance of knowing this type of information when choosing a career.
- 2. List the strengths you possess that would contribute to your success in a health service occupation. Which of your weaknesses may hinder your success in a health service occupation?

SUMMARY

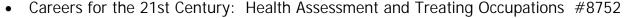
The *Health Service Occupations* video is number eight in a series of twenty-one videotapes designed to comprise many of the top professions expected to grow in the upcoming years. The videos introduce the career explorer to specific occupations by encompassing many aspects of the job, including goals, work activities, educational requirements and salary earnings, into short segments. Each segment contains actual workers within the field sharing their own personal goals and experiences with the job seeker. The videos can be used in a variety of settings including classrooms, counseling sessions, career centers or by an independent career explorer. The occupations included in this video are:

- Dental Assistants
- Home Health Aides
- Massage Therapists
- Medical Assistants
- Medical Secretaries
- Nursing Assistants
- Occupational Therapy Assistants and Aides
- Physical Therapy Assistants and Aides

RELATED RESOURCES

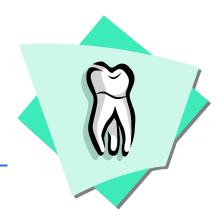


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Careers for the 21st Century: Medicine and Related Occupations #8814



World Wide Web



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THE AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION

http://www.ada.org/prof

Features an education and career resources page. Access career and education information and career fact sheets for the jobs available in this field.

AMERICA'S CAREER INFONET

http://www.acinet.org

Find information on wages, employment trends, education and skill requirements, and more.

OCCUPATIONAL OUTLOOK HANDBOOK, 2000-01

http://stats.bls.gov/ocohome.htm

Describes working conditions, training, education needed, earnings and expected job prospects.

INSTRUCTIONAL GRAPHICS

HEALTH SERVICES OCCUPATIONS NOTE-TAKING TABLE



Note-Taking Table

Careers for the 21 st Century	Dental Assistants	Home Health Aides	Massage Therapists	Medical Assistants
Job Description				
Would I like this job? Why/Why not?				
Education Requirements				
Salary				
Job Outlook				
More Information				
Other				

Note-Taking Table

Careers for the 21 st Century	Medical Secretaries	Nursing Assistants	Occupational Therapists Assistants & Aides	Physical Therapy Assistants and Aides
Job Description				
Would I like this job? Why/Why not?				
Education Requirements				
Salary				
Job Outlook				
More Information				
Other				