# **EKG Technician**

**INDUSTRY FACTS** 



# What does an EKG technician do?

Within the large and growing healthcare industry, EKG technicians play a key role in

keeping a healthcare facility running smoothly. Their duties frequently include the following:

- Measure basic vital signs
- Perform rapid response procedures
- Operate an EKG machine and interpret output
- Prepare for, perform, and monitor EKG testing
- Record lead placement, measure and identify rhythms

### Where do they work?

EKG technicians work in round-the-clock healthcare facilities such as hospitals. The 24/7 nature of healthcare makes night and weekend schedules a possibility.



## How much do they earn?

With opportunities nationwide, EKG technicians can earn competitive salaries. The average salary for an EKG technician is \$40,800, but the pay can range between \$36,000 and \$47,000 depending on factors such as employer, work experience, and certifications.\*

# How's the job outlook?

The healthcare industry is growing rapidly due to the country's aging population and new healthcare laws. As medical practices expand, EKG technicians will be needed to care for patients who have heart conditions. Estimates show that industry employment will remain positive over the next 10 years—up 8% in that time.\*\*

"I took the online EKG technician course while I was wrapping up my EMT course. The content was easy to understand and navigate, and technical support was there when I needed them. Thank you for a fantastic experience!"

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<sup>\*</sup>https://www.salary.com/research/salary/alternate/ekg-technician-salary

<sup>\*\*</sup>https://www.bls.gov/oes/current/oes292031.htm

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# PROGRAM DETAILS

#### **Improve Your Life**

When it comes to career training, you'll find a lot of posers out there. Con artists that'll try to impress you with fancy hyperbole. But through all the noise, the distinct sound of success can be heard. Your success. All it takes is a little push. A nudge in the right direction—and your whole life could change. New doors opened. New worlds discovered. And new opportunities explored.

#### Prepare For A Better Job

Train affordably without sacrificing quality. This program's comprehensive training was developed by industry professionals with years of experience – specifically designed to help you prepare for the Certified EKG Technician (CET) exam.

#### **Learn Your Way**

With online training, you can absorb more knowledge and learn more skills—fast.

- Study on a schedule that fits your life
- Progress at a pace that matches your learning style
- Adjust the time and effort you devote to your coursework each day

#### **Receive Coaching and Guidance**

When you train with CareerStep, we back you every step of the way—from sign-up through course completion.

- Learner support
- Technical support
- Career support

#### **Get Certified**

We'll prepare you to take nationally recognized exams so you can explore greater opportunities in your area.

#### • Certified EKG Technician (CET)

This training program will prep you to become a CET—recognized by the National Healthcareer Association—so you can maximize your earning potential.

#### **Program Outline**

Course
Program Orientation
HealthCare Foundational Knowledge and Basic Science
General Patient Care
Infection Control
Externship Readiness Skills
Preparing for Your Externship
Patient Care Coordination and Education
Communication and Customer Service in the Healthcare Office
Medical Laws and Ethics
EKG and Cardiovascular
Career Success in Healthcare
EKG Final Exam
Fundamentals of HIPAA
Initiating Your Externship
Clinical Externship
Program Completion

**TOTAL HOURS: 279** 

259 Coursework, Simulations, and Experiential +20 Clinical Externship