

# STERILE PROCESSING TECHNICIAN

Health Career Admissions  
Program Code: GSPT.CER

**Certificate**

*Graduation requirement — 4 semester hours*

The Sterile Processing Technician training program prepares students to clean and sterilize reusable utensils and equipment, organize and package instrument trays and sets, keeping detailed records of equipment maintenance, stock crash carts, organize supplies and maintain an adequate inventory of instruments and disposable items to meet the needs of doctors, nurses, surgeons, and technical staff throughout the hospital. By training in this field, the student will learn infection control techniques to keep hospitals and other medical facilities as well as surgical instruments safe and free from the spread of diseases. Students will learn to prepare instruments for sterilization, loading and unloading a steam sterilizer, and basic cleaning procedures. The course is approved by the Illinois Community College Board and at the completion of this certificate, students are eligible to sit for the National Certification Exam through the Certification Board for Sterile Processing and Distribution (CSPDT).

**Program Notes**

- To be admitted to the program, students must place out of ENG 098 and CCS 098.
- Students must maintain a grade of C or higher in lecture, pass the final exam, and successfully complete the required skills to complete the program.

Required Program Courses (4 hours)		Cr. Hrs.
SPT 110	Sterile Processing Technician Theory .....	4
Total Semester Credit Hours		4