

Philadelphia has a new option for starting a healthcare career

American Training Center brings Certified Medical Assistant training to Congreso de Latinos Unidos



Philadelphia, Pennsylvania Feb 3, 2022 ([Issuewire.com](https://www.issuewire.com)) - [American Training Center](#) is expanding to Philadelphia by launching its first class of certified medical assistants in the city. The New Jersey-based organization expects to graduate 50-70 students in 2022, with many of those new CMAs being bilingual. With a high demand for Spanish-speaking medical assistants in the area, this new program serves a growing need in the medical community.

Through a partnership with [Congreso de Latinos Unidos](#), American Training Center offers training to aspiring health care workers at their educational site located at 2800 North American Street in Philadelphia. The Center continues to offer classes at its location in Pennsauken, New Jersey, as well.

“When I first learned about Congreso de Latinos Unidos, I felt so aligned with the mission of supporting economic growth and wellbeing in the Latino community,” said Lorenzo McFadden, Vice President at American Training Center. “We don’t just teach the basics and send people on their way; we’re helping them find the right place to start their new careers and equipping them with the tools for long-term success, such as workforce-focused mental health strategies and self-care techniques.”

Medical assistants are in high demand, with more than [104,000 openings projected](#) nationwide each year, on average, over the next decade. In addition, the federal government expects the number of jobs in the field to grow by 18% from 2020 to 2030, much faster than the average for all occupations.

The Philadelphia metro area is an ideal area for aspiring health care professionals, with one of the highest employment levels for medical assistants in the country, according to [government statistics](#).

“The students are so hungry to learn, engaged, and ready to get started,” said instructor Dana Parks. “As an educator, the most exciting part of my job is seeing them launch themselves into a new, purposeful career that’s life-changing in so many ways.”

American Training Center’s CMA program features hands-on training in which medical assistants work in physician offices, hospitals, outpatient clinics, laboratories, diagnostic screening facilities, rehabilitation practices, colleges, and universities.

Students also receive training and certifications in phlebotomy and EKG.

Class sizes at American Training Center are small and personal, with 10 to 12 students per class. After about two months, students have the skills to get a job in their new field.

People interested in learning more about course offerings and start dates can visit [American Training Center’s website](#).

ABOUT CONGRESO DE LATINOS UNIDOS

[Congreso de Latinos Unidos, Inc.](#) is a nonprofit organization founded in 1977 to enable individuals and families in predominantly Latino neighborhoods to achieve economic self-sufficiency and well-being.

ABOUT AMERICAN TRAINING CENTER

[American Training Center](#) provides affordable certification programs for in-demand career fields in healthcare and technology. The organization has developed and led the only federally approved apprenticeship program for certified medical assistants in South Jersey and was awarded PACE, GAINS, and Upskills grants from the NJ Department of Labor. Their mission is “changing lives, one employment success story at a time.”

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