



# Cardiovascular Technologist

Standard Occupational Code 29-2031.00

# What They Do

Conduct tests on pulmonary or cardiovascular systems of patients for diagnostic purposes. May conduct or assist in electrocardiograms, cardiac catheterizations, pulmonary functions, lung capacity, and similar tests.

#### Is This For You?

**Work Interests** are described in the following categories (compatible with Holland's Model). People who tend to succeed in this career are:

**Realistic** – involves work activities that include practical, hands-on problems and solutions.

**Investigative** – involves working with ideas, and require an extensive amount of thinking.

**Social** – involves working with, communicating with, and teaching people. Often involves helping or providing service to others.

**Work Values** are aspects of work that are satisfying to you. The following work values are generally associated with this career:

**Relationships** – allow employees to provide service to others and work with co-workers in a friendly non-competitive environment.

**Support** – offer supportive management that stands behind employees.

**Independence** – allow employees to work on their own and make decisions.

**Abilities** reflect a person's aptitude to acquire skills and knowledge. The following abilities are important for success in the career:

- Problem Sensitivity
- Near Vision
- Oral Comprehension
- Oral Expression
- Deductive Reasoning
- Inductive Reasoning

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#### Skills You Need

- Active Listening
- Critical Thinking
- Monitoring
- Operation Monitoring
- Speaking
- Reading Comprehension
- Social Perceptiveness
- Judgement and Decision Making

# **Education & Training**

Cardiovascular technician positions require at least an associate's degree in cardiovascular technology or a related program.

# SD Employment & Wages

	2014 Workers	204 Workers	Numeric Change	Percent Change	Average Annual Demand for Workers	Median Annual Wage
4	190	235	45	23.7%	8	\$45,400

#### **Additional References**

**Labor Market Information Center** 

www.dlr.gov/mic

**Career OneStop** 

www.careeronestop.org

O\*Net Online

www.onetcenter.org

mySkills myFuture

www.myskillsmyfuture.org

# Requirements for the National Career Readiness Certificate (NCRC) Median Skill Level

Applied Mathematics	5
Reading for Information	5
Locating Information	5
Business Writing	3
Workplace Observation	3
Listening for Understanding	3

# Where They Work

The South Dakota Industries which employ the largest number of cardiovascular technicians are:

- General Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Offices of Physicians
- Federal Government
- Investigation and Security Services
- Local Government

#### **Additional References**

Labor Market Information Center South Dakota Dept. of Labor Regulation 605.626.2314

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