

## **Medical Assistant Program**

### **Western Technical College**

### **Program Details**

**Medical Assistant Program Goal:** To prepare medical assistants who are competent in the cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains to enter the profession.

#### **Western's Medical Assistant Program CMA (AAMA) Certification Examination Statistics**

Students who graduate from a Medical Assistant Program accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP) upon the recommendation of the Medical Assisting Education Review Board (MAERB) are eligible to take the Certified Medical Assistant (CMA) American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA) Certification examination. Certification is required and/or preferred by most healthcare employers who hire Medical Assistants. The CMA (AAMA) is considered the gold standard of medical assisting professionalism. The credential represents a medical assistant who has been certified by the Certifying Board of the American Association of Medical Assistants (AAMA). The CMA (AAMA) means a professional edge, increased prestige among colleagues, and greater job security.

The Medical Assistant program at Western Technical College has a five-year retention rate of 87.80% for the years 2018-2022. The five-year average for the exam passage rate for the years 2018-2022 is 85.89%.