## NORTHWOOD TECHNICAL COLLEGE MEDICAL ASSISTANT STUDENT POLICIES

## **MEDICAL ASSISTANT PRACTICUM**

Basic Life Support (BLS) and a first aid course must be completed prior to Medical Assistant Practicum.

The purpose of the Practicum is to provide students with a supervised clinical experience in order to apply the medical assistant skills they have learned. This experience will take place in local and regional clinics and will be supervised by employees of that clinic. The Medical Assistant program instructor will also supervise this experience. Students must complete 216 hours in their practicum experience, which includes 27 work days.

Students will be assigned to work in clinics that have signed a contract with Northwood Tech for this experience and will work according to clinic expectations. This is a learning experience and students will not be paid for this work time.

All required courses must be completed prior to starting 509-310 Medical Assistant Practicum.