



Introduction to Health Services

**HS Introduction to Health Services/
Career Exploration: EKG Technician**

April 28, 2020



Grade/Course: Intro to Health Services
Lesson: Tuesday, April 28

Objective/Learning Target:
**Describe the activities, responsibilities and training for a
career as an EKG Technician**

Warm Up #1: Look at the image on the right. Why might a patient need to have this done to them?



Warm Up #2: Where might a person need to have this procedure done to them?



There are no right or wrong answers, but this is what previous students thought...

Warm Up #1: Look at the image on the right. Why might a patient need to have this done to them? **Medical emergencies, physical exams**

Warm Up #2: Where might a person need to have this procedure done to them?
Hospitals, emergency rooms



Reading Focused Listing Activity

To begin, get out a blank sheet of paper and something to write with. Next, read the first two paragraphs titled [EKG Technician Job Description](#).

On your paper, make a list of 5 things that that EKG technicians do.



Reading Focused Listing Activity- Revision

Next, let's look at a [short video](#) that focuses on some real-world applications of EKG technician skills.

On your paper, see if you can add to your list of EKG technician job tasks or revise what you already had written.



Activity: Reading and T-Chart Analysis

Next, read this short page on [Where They Work](#), then make a small t-chart on your paper. On the left, title the column + and the right column -. Below the + side, list the work environments that suit you best, under the - side, list those that you don't think you'd like.



Next, we will look closer at the training needed to become an EKG technician.

Read this description of training requirements from the [BLS website](#).

Go back to the t-chart you made in the previous activity. Add terms to this chart as you read. Concentrate on the topics of study needed to become an EKG tech. For those that you would do well at, list under the + side, and those topics that might be a problem list under the - side.



Next, we will look closer at the training needed to become an EKG technician.

Read this description of training requirements from the [BLS website](#).

Focus on the bottom paragraph titled Important Qualities. Amend your T chart to include the important qualities listed there. If those qualities from the reading are personal strengths, list them under the + side, those that are not your strong qualities go on the - side.



To finish, look at this short summary of [salaries for EKG technicians](#).

Look at the data and be honest with yourself- then write salary in the correct spot on your T-chart.

Now that you have finished, you might have a better idea about EKG technician as a career choice.



Extra Resources:

[19 Reasons to become an EKG technician](#)

[National Healthcare Assoc: EKG Technician Careers](#)

[Kansas City School of Phlebotomy](#)