

# The Electrocardiogram Technician

ECG/EKG Technician are responsible for performing electrocardiogram tests in order to record and monitor electrical impulses transmitted by the heart. This assist a physician in diagnosing and treating cardiac and blood vessel irregularities.

Training is provided by community colleges or vocational/technical schools, however many ECG Technicians are still trained on the job by an ECG supervisor or Cardiologist.

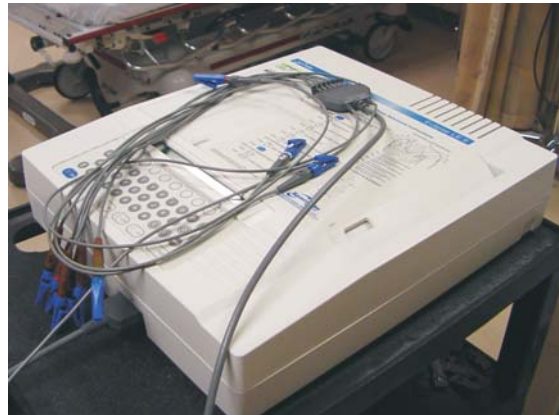
Necessary Skills:

- \* Ability to learn new tasks quickly and easily
- \* Ability to see slight differences
- \* Ability to use hands skillfully
- \* Ability to work under stress with high risk patients
- \* Ability to take instructions and work as a team member
- \* Good mathematical aptitude
- \* Ability to relate well to a variety of patients
- \* Ability to be a calming influence on patients
- \* Ability to stand and move about freely for extended periods of time
- \* Excellent eye/hand coordination

## Requirements for Certification As a NCET

The successful move of advancing your professional career in the medical field as a National Certified ECG Technician, (NCET) requires:

- A) High School Diploma or Equivalent
- B) A graduate of an approved course of study as an Electrocardiogram Technician  
Or  
Documentation of working as a Electrocardiogram Technician for at least one year



## How Do I Certify?

**SIMPLY CALL 1-800-875-4404.** Our national office is staffed with courteous professionals who will personally address all your needs and questions. It is time for you to take the high road to certification. It is the road of the future. *Call Today.*



## National Certification For The ECG Technician



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## Why Certify? Is it Voluntary?

Continued Success. Your certification certificate, your I.D. Card, and your professional pin allow you to be recognized as a qualified professional in the medical field. They say many things to both your fellow workers and employer. They are symbols of credibility and competence for knowledge and skill. They say that you have met or exceeded all established standards and that you are an individual of high integrity, dedicated to a superior level of service and care for your clients. Simply stated,

**“Here is a Professional.”**



Certification is voluntary in most states, but there is a growing trend in the medical field for employers to look toward certification to find the quality candidates they seek. It allows them to hire more confidently and is quite often a condition for employment. The trend toward certification will continue to grow in the new millennium. Legislation is currently pending in several states that will make certification mandatory for job placement. Certification from NCCT exceeds these standards. Over 50,000 people have achieved NCCT certification. The goals of certification are to help advance your chosen career as an ECG technician while helping to ensure that your patients will receive the very finest possible service.

## How Can I Stay Current?

The medical profession is dynamic and constantly changing. It is important that your knowledge and skills stay current. NCCT tries to make this as simple as possible. We want our NCET's to be able to maintain the highest standards, demonstrate the most current knowledge, and be aware of the latest trends in their field. NCCT provides Continuing Education Units (CEU's), to help you accomplish this. Re-certification or renewal reinforces your professional validity. NCCT CEU's that explore new procedures, methods, and knowledge are continuously being developed. NCCT brings your continuing education units directly to you. You won't have to worry about these critical records. We maintain them for you. Your determination, skills, and knowledge are your greatest asset. Keeping them fresh helps keep you moving ahead in your chosen career.



## What is NCCT?

National Center for Competency Testing was established in 1989. We are an independent third-party testing agency. Our commitment is to provide the highest quality certification examinations in the most efficient and cost-effective manner possible. NCCT goes to great lengths to be non-biased and to create an instrument that accurately determines a person's knowledge and skill. Our instruments use item response theory as well as classical test theory, psychometric principles, to make them the highest quality possible. They exceed all industry standards and state requirements. This examination emphasizes your professional credibility, educational validity, and attest to your performance. You have given your best and deserve nothing less than NCCT's best.

We presently maintain over three hundred test sites across the United States. This number is growing very rapidly. NCCT continues to grow because of personalized service, quality, convenience, and cost. We are committed to your continued success and promotion of your profession.