Health Information Technology (HIT) is a demanding, growing profession that requires specialized skills. Studies by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Education and other sources project that as many as 50,000 additional HIT professionals may be needed over the next five years to support the implementation of electronic health records in the United States. Wayne County Community College District (WCCCD) is part of the Midwest Community College HIT consortium and can provide you with the skills, confidence and connections you will need to thrive in the HIT field.

PROGRAM SPECIFICS AT WCCCD

The program offers both campus-based and distance education courses, including evening and weekend scheduling. WCCCD focuses on job-specific training in four workforce roles to support electronic health records implementation which are listed below:

* Clinician/Practitioner Consultants
* Implementation Support Specialists

During Fall 2010, WCCCD launched the Clinician/Practitioner Consultants and Implementation Support Specialists Certificate Programs. The salary ranges for the above mentioned positions are between $12.46 - $20.25 per hour.

In addition to “hard” technical skills, the Midwest HIT training program will incorporate up to 40 hours of “soft” skills training, which includes problem solving, decision making, time management, etc.

ADMISSION CRITERIA

Minimum Requirements:
- Prior health related work or classroom experience.
- Assessment and/or Interview

Preferred Qualifications:
- Two years IT or health related work experience

Scholarships:
- THIS IS NOT AN INCOME BASED PROGRAM.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Though job placement is not guaranteed, the consortium is developing strong partnerships with regional extension centers and workforce investment programs, as well as physician practices and software vendors/consultants, to help students establish the contacts they need that will lead to job opportunities.

To access the documents below, please visit www.wcccd.edu/students under the WCCCD Services Tab

* HIT Application
* Certification Program Summary/Course Descriptions

For further information please contact Mrs. Karen McCants, (313) 922-3311 or email kmccant1@wcccd.edu

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