What Does an **Ophthalmic Assistant Do?**

Some of the duties of an ophthalmic assistant include:

- Taking a general medical and ophthalmic history
- Taking basic anatomical and functional measurements
- Testing ocular functions (visual acuity and basic color vision)
- Using specialized test equipment
- Administering topical ophthalmic medications under the direction of a physician
- Instructing patients in personal eye care
- Caring for and maintaining ophthalmic instruments and equipment
- Caring for, maintaining, and sterilizing surgical instruments

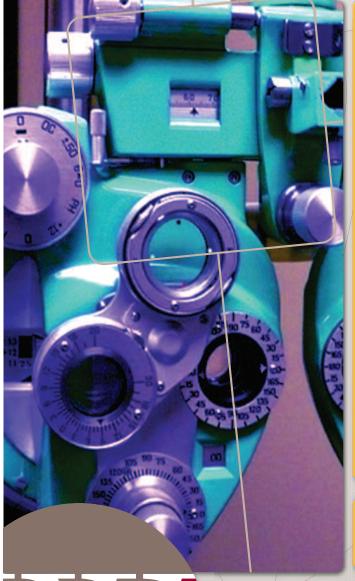
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About the Ophthalmic Assistant Program...

Ophthalmology is the medical and surgical specialty concerned with the eye, its surrounding structures, and its proper function. Ophthalmologists are physicians who perform eye surgery and treat eye diseases and injuries. A vital member of the eye care team, the ophthalmic assistant takes patient histories and performs preliminary tests which help the ophthalmologist diagnose and treat patients.



Students may sit for the Certified Ophthalmic Assistant (COA) Exam after completing this course <u>and</u> after working with a physician for a total of six months.

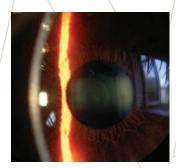
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PROGRAM INFORMATION

- Individuals must have a high school diploma or equivalent to enter the program.
- Ophthalmic Assistant is a 14-week program. Classes will meet Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. at the Center for Economic and Workforce Development in Dothan.
- "Hands-on" clinical experience will take place at local eye care clinics.
 Call for the the clinical schedule for your session.
 Clinical hours are from 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.,
 Monday through Friday.

Fees:

- \$1,400 (includes textbooks and related materials)
- WIOA approved



Registration Form Ophthalmic Assistant

SS#: <u>*</u>
Name:
Address:
City/State/ZIP:
Phone:
E-mail:
Male* Female* Race* D.O.B
Place of Employment:
Payment Method:
———— Check (make payable to WCC)
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