

Licensure Eligibility and Disclosure of Health Programs

Diagnostic Cardiovascular Sonography

Graduates of the A.A.S Diagnostic Cardiovascular Sonography Program at Alvin College are prepared as competent entry-level cardiac sonographers or vascular technologists in cognitive (knowledge), psychomotor (skills), and affective (behavior) learning domains. Our students are eligible to take registry exams with either the ARDMS (American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography) or the CCI (Cardiovascular Credentialing International) prior to graduation. Both credentialing agencies are widely known and have offered credentials to technologists for over 40 years.

<https://www.ardms.org/>

<https://cci-online.org/>

Emergency Medical Technology

Graduates of the Alvin College Emergency Medical Technology Program, Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) – Basic Certificates, Advanced EMT Certificates, Paramedic Certificates, and Paramedic A.A.S., are eligible to apply for licensure or certification in Texas. Graduates or prospective EMS personnel must take and pass either the EMT, Advanced EMT, or Paramedic certification exam administered by the National Registry of EMTs (NREMT). Upon passing with a satisfactory score, EMTs, Advanced EMTs, and Paramedics will be nationally registered by the NREMT. Once a passing score is earned on the required exam, the graduate must apply for and gain certification at the state level to be eligible to work on an emergency medical team in that state. Each state requires its own certification.

In addition to national certification, an individual's state of residence or location may have its own certification examinations, registration, and/or licensing requirements. States may recognize components of the national exam for some of these purposes. However, they may have additional requirements for specializations or alternate emergency medical personnel.

It is unknown whether graduates of these programs at PTC are eligible to sit for licensure or certification in states other than SC and GA. For information about state licensing requirements visit <https://www.nremt.org/rwd/public/states/state-ems-agencies>.



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Certification is required for individuals to obtain employment in coding. Students enrolled in the Medical Coding Certificate at Alvin Community College may take the Certified Professional Coder (CPC) certification exam through AAPC upon completion of the program. Students, who earn a passing score on the exam, can obtain a license to practice in the coding field. The CPC certification exam is a national exam; students who pass the exam obtain certification as professional medical coders in all states in the U.S.

Nursing

The Alvin College Associate Degree Nursing Program and the Alvin College Vocational Nursing Program are both fully approved by the Texas Board of Nursing (Texas BON) to prepare graduates to apply to sit for the NCLEX-RN and NCLEX-PN in Texas. NCLEX Exams (National Council Licensure Examination) are nationwide exams for the licensing of nurses in the United States and Canada. For further information on the nursing licensure application process in Texas, visit the Texas BON website at https://www.bon.texas.gov/licensure_eligibility.asp.html. For further information on the NCLEX exams, visit the National Council of State Boards of Nursing website at <https://www.ncsbn.org/nclex.htm>.

Additionally, the state of Texas is a Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC) state. The NLC allows a nurse to have one multistate license with the ability to practice in the home state and other NLC states. Visit the National Council of State Boards of Nursing website at <https://www.ncsbn.org/compacts.page> for a list and a map of NLC states. Additionally, the website provides contact information for the nurse licensing authority in all states.

If you are unsure if you will be eligible for nursing licensure, contact the appropriate state nurse licensing agency to seek information and additional guidance before enrolling in a nursing program of study. If you have questions or concerns about licensure in Texas, contact the Texas BON at https://www.bon.texas.gov/contact_us.asp.html.



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Pharmacy Technician

Students that complete the Alvin College Pharmacy Technician Program Level I and II Certificates and AAS in Pharmacy Technician is an approved program by the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) and are eligible to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Exam (PTCE). Once the PTCE is passed, they can then apply to the Texas State Board of Pharmacy. The PTCE is recognized in all 50 states, however, some states require additional requirements. Texas requires technicians to pass the PTCE before applying to the Texas Board of Pharmacy for licensing in Texas.

Polysomnography

Graduates of the A.A.S., Polysomnography program at Alvin college are eligible to take the Sleep Technologist Registry Exam (RPSGT) by the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologists. There is no required state licensure in the state of Texas. Graduates who receive a passing score are eligible to work within the sleep medicine field. After passing the RPSGT exam, graduates are eligible to sit for the Certificate in Clinical Sleep Health (CCSH) credential by the Board of Registered Polysomnographic Technologists.

Neurodiagnostics

Graduates of the A.A.S., Neurodiagnostic Technology program at Alvin college are eligible to take the Electroencephalographic Technologists Registry Exam (R. EEG T.) by The American Board of Registration of Electroencephalographic and Evoked Potential Technologists. There is no required state licensure in the state of Texas. Graduates are eligible to work in the EEG field after completion of the A.A.S. program.

Respiratory Therapy

Graduates of Respiratory Care Program at Alvin College are eligible to take the National Board for Respiratory Care (NBRC) Therapist Multiple Choice (TMC) Exam. Successful completion of the TMC exam will award the CRT credential satisfy the licensure requirements in Texas. State requirements vary regarding credentialing requirements for licensure. The contacts for each state can be found [here](#).

