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ADMINISTRATIVE MEDICAL ASSISTANT PROGRAM A FIRST FOR YWC OUT-OF-SCHOOL YOUTH

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics estimates that growth in the health care industry will yield 3.2 million new jobs between 2008 and 2018. Employment of medical assistants is projected to grow 29 percent from 2012 to 2022, much faster than the average for all occupations. The industry will require support by a highly skilled and well-trained workforce that includes both administrative and clinical medical assistants. Additionally, the growth of the aging baby-boom population will continue to spur demand for preventive medical services, provided by physicians.

These statistics along with the many requests from prospective WIA participants prompted the YWC to add the Administrative Medical Assistant course to its menu offerings. This first class is unique in that they all successfully completed a Computer Business Applications course before entering into the MA program. The objective was to increase marketability of these students by equipping them with computer skills that are essential in today's modern medical office; especially with the transition from manual records to electronic health care records.

These students are under the instruction of Ms. Mary Beth Germann, who comes with a wealth of knowledge, a passion for the profession and most important, a desire to pass this knowledge, work ethic and passion to her students. This course also prepares students for the Certification Exam administered by the National Health Career Association.

We are excited about this program and wish these students success as they learn the skill competencies required for today's industry standards where when physicians practices expand, they will ultimately look to and hire YWC medical assistant completers to perform their administrative and clinical duties.

If you are interested in any of our programs, we are holding information sessions every Wednesday, 10:00 at NHREC Butler Farm campus now through June 4, 2014. For additional information, please contact Mr. Jermond Davenport or visit our website www.nhrec.org.



Shomari Montague
Pre-apprentice Electrical Grad



“If a window of **Opportunity** appears, don’t pull down the shade.” Thomas Peters

Many students that complete the Out-of- School Occupational Training program go on to improve their lives through the experience and mentoring received by NHREC staff and the Youth Workforce Center. Featured in this article is an interview of one of these success stories conducted by the Case Manager, Jermond Davenport.

CM: How did you hear about the YWC?

SM: I was referred by NHREC Adult Education after inquiring about potential enrollment in an electrical course.

CM: When you started the YWC program, what was your Career goal?

SM: To become an Electrician.

CM: What was your path following the completion of the YWC Pre-Apprentice Electrical Program?

SM: I was hired by Walsh Electric who is paying for my enrollment in an Electrician Apprenticeship program under the Department of Labor and Industry.

CM: Where do you see yourself in the next three years?

SM: As a Journeyman electrician with my own business working towards my masters or as a Foreman for an electrical company working towards my masters.

CM: How has the YWC changed your life?

SM: The YWC program assisted me with building a stable foundation to provide for myself and those that depend on me for support. I started with nothing and the program opened doors for me to be in one of the top trades in America.

The Youth Workforce Center wishes Shomari continued success and thank Walsh Electric for their ongoing support of the Youth Workforce Center.

BY THE NUMBERS

Out-of-School program offerings - Spring semester.

Building Maintenance Tech	8
Computer Business Applications	10
Welding 1 and 2	11
Medical Assistant	10

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