



National Occupational Framework: Sterile Supply Technician

Sterile supply technicians ensure that health care providers have ample access to clean, functional, and sterile equipment and instruments. They clean, disinfect, and sterilize equipment and instruments; prepare instruments for use by health care providers; monitor proper functioning of equipment; and maintain inventories of supplies, instruments, and equipment.

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Apprenticeship: A Solution for Recruiting and Training Sterile Supply Technicians

Apprenticeship programs combine learning on the job and in the classroom to train workers in the exact skills needed by employers. Sterile supply technicians work in hospitals, surgical centers, dental offices, and other health care settings, and they are vital members of the health care industry. Apprenticeships can prepare workers with the infection control and instrument sterilization and processing knowledge and skills they need to enter and succeed in this important occupation.



Apprenticeship Benefits:

90%
employment retention for apprentices

86%
of employers with programs recommend apprenticeship

\$1.44
return on investment for every dollar spent

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN A NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL FRAMEWORK?

- background information to help you learn more about the occupation
- comprehensive list of the competencies apprentices need to do the job
- building blocks of information for employers developing a registered apprenticeship program

Questions? Visit the National Apprenticeship Resource Hub at apprenticeships.urban.org or contact the Urban Institute at apprenticeship@urban.org.



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