

# Health Careers in Mississippi

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## HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNICIAN

*(Medical Record Technician)*

### About the Profession

The medical record is a permanent document prepared by the health information technician for each person treated in a healthcare facility. It is anticipated that job titles will change as health care enterprises expand their reliance on information technicians have, and will continue to assume, roles that support efforts toward the development of computer-based patient record systems and a national health information infrastructure.

### Credential/Licensure/Registration/Certification

Programs are generally 2 years in length, offering an associate degree. Applicants should have a high school diploma or equivalent. Requirements and training for technicians include theoretical instruction and practical experience in a variety of healthcare facilities.

### Work Environment

Hospitals  
Ambulatory Healthcare Facilities  
Industrial Clinics  
State and Federal Health Agencies  
Long-term Care Facilities

Program Begins: August  
Program Length: 18 months  
Degree: AA

Itawamba Community College  
602 W Hill Street  
Fulton MS 38843  
Telephone: (662) 862-8000

[For more information](#)

Class Capacity: 12  
Program Begins: August  
Program Length: 2 years  
Degree: AAS

### Program Availability

Hinds Community College  
Health Information Tech Program  
1750 Chadwick Drive  
Jackson, MS 39204  
Telephone: (601) 372-6507

[For more information](#)

Class Capacity: 15  
Program Begins: August  
Program Length: 24 months  
Degree: AAS

Meridian Community College  
910 Hwy. 19 N.  
Meridian, MS 39307  
Telephone: (601) 484-8622

[For more information](#)

Class Capacity: 15

### Professional Associations

American Health Information Management  
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