

HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONS MERIT BADGE WORKBOOK

This Scoutmaster Bucky Merit Badge Workbook is based off the current *Scouts BSA Requirements*.

Consider also using the Health Care Professions merit badge class preparation page for clarification and expectations when participating in a Scoutmaster Bucky merit badge opportunity ([online](#) or [in-person](#)).

<https://scoutmasterbucky.com/merit-badges/health-care-professions/>

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REQUIREMENT 1: Select three of the professions from Group 1 listed below which interest you, then complete the following:

Group 1:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Allopathic physician (MD) — all specialties | <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Osteopathic physician (DO) — all specialties |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Podiatrist (DPM) | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Chiropractor (DC) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Nurse Practitioner (NP) | <input type="checkbox"/> (6) Psychologist (PhD or PsyD) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (7) Optometrist (OD) | <input type="checkbox"/> (8) Audiologist (AudD) |

REQUIREMENT 1 A: Briefly describe to your counselor the roles these professionals play in the delivery of health care.

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REQUIREMENT 1 B: Describe to your counselor the educational and licensing requirements for the professionals you selected.

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REQUIREMENT 2: Select three of the professions from Group 2 listed below which interest you, then complete the following:

Group 2:

(1) Physician Assistant (PA)

(2) Registered Nurse (RN)

(3) Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)

(4) Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA)

(5) Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN/LVN)

(6) Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA)

(7) Pharmacist (PharmD)

(8) Pharmacy Technician

(9) Emergency Medical Technician (EMT)/Paramedic

REQUIREMENT 2 A: Briefly describe to your counselor the roles these professionals play in the delivery of health care.

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REQUIREMENT 2 B: Describe to your counselor the educational and licensing requirements for the professionals you selected.

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REQUIREMENT 3: Select three of the professions from Group 3 listed below which interest you, then complete the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Physical Therapist (DPT) | <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Occupational Therapist (OT) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Orthotist/Prosthetist | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Medical Appliance Technician |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Respiratory Therapist (RT) | <input type="checkbox"/> (6) Medical Assistant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (7) Dietitian (RD) | <input type="checkbox"/> (8) Speech-Language Pathologist (Speech Therapist) (SLP) |

REQUIREMENT 3 A: Briefly describe to your counselor the roles these professionals play in the delivery of health care.

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REQUIREMENT 3 B: Describe to your counselor the educational and licensing requirements for the professionals you selected.

REQUIREMENT 4: Select three of the professions from Group 4 listed below which interest you, then complete the following:

Group 4:

(1) Biomedical Engineer (BME)

(2) Medical Technologist

(3) Phlebotomist

(4) Radiology Technologist

(5) Sonographer

(6) Medical Records Specialist

(7) Cytopathologist

(8) Histotechnologist

REQUIREMENT 4 A: Briefly describe to your counselor the roles these professionals play in the delivery of health care.

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REQUIREMENT 4 B: Describe to your counselor the educational and licensing requirements for the professionals you selected.

REQUIREMENT 5: Select one career from any of the lists in Requirements 1, 2, 3, or 4 and arrange to visit that professional at their workplace. Discuss with your counselor the following:

REQUIREMENT 5 A: Why did they choose their particular career?

REQUIREMENT 5 B: What do they most like about their job?

REQUIREMENT 5 C: What are their biggest challenges in doing their job?

REQUIREMENT 5 D: Identify the tools/instruments that may be used in their jobs.

REQUIREMENT 5 E: What has been the most surprising aspect of their career?

REQUIREMENT 5 F: What continuing education requirements are required to maintain certification?

REQUIREMENT 6: Discuss with your counselor your understanding of the meaning of the Physician's Oath.

REQUIREMENT 7: Describe the role of confidentiality between a patient and the health care provider. What is HIPAA?

REQUIREMENT 8: Identify a medical advancement or discovery that has been in the news recently. Discuss with your counselor how this can affect patient care.

REQUIREMENT 9: With approval of your counselor and parents/guardian, serve as a volunteer at a healthrelated event or facility in your community (e.g. blood drive, health fair, blood pressure screening event). Report to your counselor what you did and learned from the experience.