

Health Information Technology Support in Electronic Health Records Technology is one of the *fastest growing fields in the United States.* *

JOB SKILLS

You Will Learn How to:

- Communicate clinic support needs to electronic healthcare records vendor and other IT support.
- Manage installation, maintenance, updates/enhancements to EHR system.
- Coordinate IT efficiency and output as well as security and privacy of patient health records.
- Assess electronic health record connectivity issues.
- Assist the clinic in meeting federal EHR requirements (Meaningful Use).

Purpose:

The purpose of this program is to support rural health care providers by providing focused online instructional opportunities in Health Information Technology (HIT) to current healthcare staff, local displaced workers, rural residents, veterans, and other potential students.

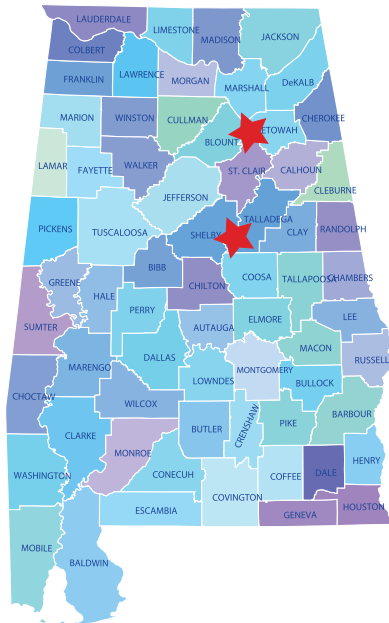
The mission of this program will introduce well trained individuals into the Health Information Technology (HIT) field in support of rural healthcare providers. We will supply hands-on experience and placement assistance for those pursuing employment in rural areas.

* U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
<http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare/medical-records-and-health-information-technicians.htm>

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The Regional Health Care Network Rural Health Information Technology Workforce Development Program's ultimate goal is to improve the health of the population of rural Alabama through increasing the meaningful use of Certified Electronic Health Record Technology (CEHRT) within the rural communities. Increasing the health IT workforce is the means by which we will reach this goal to the benefit of citizens of our state.

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Examples of classes that students will take in this program:

- Medical Terminology
- Health Information Management
- Microcomputer Applications
- Records & Information Management
- Organizational Improvement
- Introduction to the Clinical Environment for HIT
- Introduction to HIT Computer Applications
- Advanced Health Information Management



- Students interested in health information technology can now enroll in elective health information technology classes through the Office Administration program at Central Alabama Community College and Gadsden State Community College.