## MEDICAL CODING SPECIALIST Program Outlook



Employment of health information technicians is projected to grow 13 percent from 2016 to 2026, faster than the average for all occupations. The demand for health services is expected to increase as the population ages. Health information technicians typically need a postsecondary certificate to enter the occupation, although some may need an associate's degree. Certification is often required.

Employment Information				
	Greater Kansas City Area (15 counties in KC Metropolitan Statistical Area)	State of Kansas	National	
2019	1,855	2,462	221,505	
2024 Projected	2,002	2,570	238,438	
% Change	7.9%	4.4%	7.6%	

Salary Information (Median Hourly Wage)					
	Greater Kansas City Area (15 counties in KC Metropolitan Statistical area)	State of Kansas	National		
2019	\$19.59	\$17.82	\$19.40		

JCCC Completer Information (2017-2018 Academic Year)			
% Employed in Related	Median Hourly Wage		
Field			
75%	\$22.60		

The JCCC Office of Institutional Research conducts a follow-up study of program completers one year after completion.