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HPOG is a study funded by the federal government which is being conducted to determine how these training opportunities help people improve their skills and find better jobs. During the study, all new eligible applicants will be selected by lottery to participate in these training opportunities. Not all eligible applicants will be selected to participate in these opportunities.



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Training opportunities include:

- Registered Nurse
- Medical Laboratory Technician
- Licensed Practical Nurse
- Dental Assistant
- Medical Assistant
- Medical Records Technician
- EMT
- Paramedic
- Patient Care Technician
- Pharmacy Technician
- Cardiovascular Technician
- Phlebotomist
- Certified Nursing Assistant
- Basic Skills Education (if applicable)
- GED Program (if applicable)

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Health Occupations Preparation for Employment

Project HOPE is a Health Profession Opportunity Grant (HPOG) funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Administration for Children and Families (ACF). The project goal is to provide education and training to low-income individuals for occupations in healthcare that pay well. The project requires every person eligible for HPOG to be selected through a lottery system. Only persons selected through the lottery will be able to participate in this project. Persons not selected by the lottery will be referred to other services or programs for which they may be eligible.



Boot Camps are five-week intensive academic and hands-on training sessions taught by a team of health science instructors from technical colleges. The National Healthcare Foundation Standards and Accountability Criteria curriculum is used during the boot camp. Students will also spend one week job-shadowing with established healthcare employer partners.

Boot Camps are located in Florence, Greenwood, Charleston, Columbia, and Rock Hill. All students must attend one of these trainings.

Healthcare Career

Preparation will be provided to students by schools in the SC Technical College System through Continuing Education (Quick Jobs Career Programs) and Academic Degree Programs.

Employment Readiness and Placement will be provided to all students during the course of the program and upon completion of training.



How do I apply?

Information and applications are available online or by contacting a project representative at the numbers below:

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