

*Greetings, STC PCT students.*  
**Welcome to Patient Care Fall 2025**

On Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup>, the Patient Care Technician program orientation will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at 1101 East Vermont Ave, McAllen, Texas, in Rooms 101 and 102 (West Wing, 1<sup>st</sup> floor). Attendance is mandatory. Before attending orientation, check your Jagnet account to obtain your schedule (course sections) and faculty. You will need that information to sign in. Please bring your laptops to orientation.

**Degree Plan:** Update your degree plan. (**Patient Care Technician**) when you register for the program. *If switching your degree plan impacts your financial aid, please seek out the advice of a Financial Aid representative. Please declare PT Care Tech as your major to ensure you receive your certificate of completion and the competitive entry points that go with it.*

**Social Security:** Your card must have your current signature and legal name. *Your social security card must be updated to reflect name changes before orientation if you have married or divorced or changed your name.*

**Nurse Aide Registry or State Exam:** If you have ever been listed on the nurse aide registry, taken or applied to take the NATCEP (state exam) (whether you took it, passed, or not), please notify your faculty following the August 20<sup>th</sup> orientation. You must also contact the [Texas Department of Health and Human Services](#) to get permission to take the state exam before completing the first two weeks of class.

**Contact Information:** *Please update your phone number in Jagnet. Be aware that communication with the Patient Care Program is via your STC student email address. **Keep all contact information up to date throughout this semester.***

**Uniform:** Students must be in uniform for class and clinical. Please see pages 4-5 for uniform guidelines in [PTC Handbook](#). clinical ID cards need to be issued to you on the first day of class:

- *Clinical ID pictures. Please come in your uniform. Ladies, please wear minimal makeup and hair pulled back ,away from your face and up.*

Note: Last-minute changes happen, especially with clinical rotations and the rapidly changing events due to clinical site issues. We ask that you be flexible and work with us to further your education.

**Textbooks:** The following are required by August 21st

<a href="#">Nursing-Assistant-1684159945.pdf</a>  <a href="#">Nursing Assistant – Simple Book Publishing (pressbooks.pub)</a>  Open Resource Education Nursing Assistant MYRA SANDQUIST REUTER, MA, BSN, RN	<b>Texas Curriculum for Nurse Aides in Long-Term Care Facilities Texas Health and Human Services March 2024</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Can be purchased at the FedEx office, 2812 N 10<sup>th</sup> Street, McAllen, Texas. (Please call before going)</li><li>• Can be downloaded online</li></ul>
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**\*\* Three additional books will be needed for Phlebotomy, EKG, and Patient Care. *Please see Book-list on PCT Program Resources on the South Texas College website. Visit the PASS program to see if you qualify for assistance with text books.***