



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/>

Scout's Name:

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

Group 1:

(1) Allopathic physician (MD) — all specialties

(2) Osteopathic physician (DO) — all specialties

(3) Podiatrist (DPM)

(4) Chiropractor (DC)

(5) Nurse Practitioner (NP)

(6) Psychologist (PhD or PsyD)

(7) Optometrist (OD)

(8) Audiologist (AudD)



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



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

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

Group 2:

<input type="checkbox"/> (1) Physician Assistant (PA)	<input type="checkbox"/> (2) Registered Nurse (RN)
<input type="checkbox"/> (3) Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM)	<input type="checkbox"/> (4) Certified Nurse Assistant (CNA)
<input type="checkbox"/> (5) Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN/LVN)	<input type="checkbox"/> (6) Nurse Anesthetist (CRNA)
<input type="checkbox"/> (7) Pharmacist (PharmD)	<input type="checkbox"/> (8) Pharmacy Technician
<input type="checkbox"/> (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.



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

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

Group 3	
<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.



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:

<input type="checkbox"/> (1) Biomedical Engineer (BME)	<input type="checkbox"/> (2) Medical Technologist
<input type="checkbox"/> (3) Phlebotomist	<input type="checkbox"/> (4) Radiology Technologist
<input type="checkbox"/> (5) Sonographer	<input type="checkbox"/> (6) Medical Records Specialist
<input type="checkbox"/> (7) Cytopathologist	<input type="checkbox"/> (8) Histotechnologist



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



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?

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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.