UNIT 8 - BLOOD / LYMPHATIC / CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEMS CAREERS

Phlebotomist (Diagnostic Services)- Phlebotomists are health care professionals who have been trained to collect patient's blood specimens by venipuncture and by microcollection techniques. The practice of phlebotomy, or the technique of venipuncture, generally refers to the collection of blood from a vein. Phlebotomists usually work under the supervision of nurses, medical technologists, or laboratory managers. Phlebotomists play an important role on the clinical laboratory team by collecting clinical laboratory specimens prior to the actual laboratory testing.

Cardiologist (Therapeutic Services)- A cardiologist is a physician who specializes in the normal heart and the diseases associated with it.

Cardiac Rehabilitation (Therapeutic Services)- This is usually a combination of specialists; such as physicians, exercise physiologists, physical therapists, nurses, and aids; who concentrate on the rehabilitation of cardiac patients. Many times the patients begin as hospital inpatients and continue working with cardiac rehabilitation professionals after they are released.

Transport Tech (Support Services)- Theses individuals are responsible for transporting inpatients to their desired destinations; such as testing centers, surgery rooms, therapy appointments, etc. They may also be asked to deliver supplies to patient rooms.