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CUTLINE: The 100<sup>th</sup> graduating class of Southern State Community College's **Medical Assisting** program includes: (Ir) Pamela Ballein, Bethany Campbell, Kinsey Coleman, Lynann Simpson, Taylor Stiens, Sarina Brioli and (absent from photo) Courtney Brown, Tami Ferris, Kristen Dallas, Jennifer Harris, and Susan Sharp.



CUTLINE: The 33<sup>rd</sup> graduating class of Southern State Community College's **Phlebotomy** program includes: (I-r) Bethany Music, Bethany Campbell, Jessica Libby, Jackilynn McGee, Amanda Walker, Cindy Tolle, DeAnna Williams, and Sarah Zindorf.



CUTLINE: The 18<sup>th</sup> graduating class of Southern State Community College's **Billing & Coding Specialist** program includes: (I-r) Tracee Campbell, Lynann Simpson, Ernie Campbell, Kinsey Coleman, Taylor Stiens, Sarina Brioli, Amanda Lyons and (absent from photo) Amy Egbert, Sandra Godlove, Samantha Manns, Ashton Pruitt, and Melody Shaffer.



CUTLINE: The 19<sup>th</sup> graduating class of Southern State Community College's **Pharmacy Technician** program includes: (I-r) Shawn Brown, Zachary Rumer and (absent from photo) Brandi Loury, and Jessica Roehm.

# SSCC Medical Assisting, Allied Health programs celebrate graduation

A special celebration was held April 20 to honor graduates of Southern State Community College's medical assisting and allied health programs. Eighteen of the 28 graduates from the medical assisting, phlebotomy technician, billing and coding specialist and pharmacy technician programs attended.

A representative from each program was chosen to offer thoughts regarding their experiences, including Zachary Rumer from the pharmacy technician program, Sarah Zindorf from the phlebotomy technician program, Tracee Campbell from the billing and coding program and Pamela Ballein from the medical assisting program.

# MEDICAL ASSISTING

The two-year Medical Assisting program at Southern State began in 1979 and has seen more than 500 students obtain their Associate of Applied Science degrees in Medical Assisting. The 2016 graduating class includes: from **Highland County**, Pamela Ballein of Hillsboro, Sarina Brioli of Hillsboro, Courtney Brown of Greenfield, Bethany Campbell of Hillsboro, and Tami Ferris of Hillsboro; from **Clinton County**, Kinsey Coleman of Wilmington, Kristen Dallas of Wilmington, and Jennifer Harris of Wilmington; from **Brown County**, Lynann Simpson of Sardinia, and Susan Sharp of Georgetown; and from **Clermont County**, Taylor Stiens of Batavia. Kinsey Coleman was recognized for excellent academic achievement, graduating summa cum laude with a cumulative GPA of 4.0.

#### **PHLEBOTOMY**

The one-year Phlebotomy program began in 2006 at Southern State and has seen more than 159 students obtain their Phlebotomy certificates. The 2016 graduating class includes: from **Highland County**, Bethany Campbell of Hillsboro, and Bethany Music of Hillsboro; from **Brown County**, Jackilynn McGee from Mt. Orab; from **Adams County**, Cindy Tolle of Winchester; from **Clinton County**, Amanda Walker from Martinsville, and Sarah Zindorf of Wilmington; and from **Greene County**, DeAnna Williams of Jamestown. DeAnna Williams was recognized for excellent academic achievement, graduating magna cum laude with a cumulative GPA of 3.66.

### **BILLING & CODING**

Since Southern State's program began in 2009, more than 80 graduates have received a Billing and Coding Specialist certificate. The 2016 graduating class includes: from **Highland County**, Sarina Brioli of Hillsboro, and Amanda Lyons of Hillsboro; from **Clinton County**, Kinsey Coleman of Wilmington, Sandra Godlove of New Vienna, and Ashton Pruitt of New Vienna; from **Brown County**, Tracee Campbell of Mt. Orab, Ernie Campbell of Mt. Orab, Amy Egbert of Sardinia, Melody Shaffer of Georgetown, and Lynann Simpson of Sardinia; and from **Clermont County**, Taylor Stiens of Batavia. Melody Shaffer was recognized for excellent academic achievement, graduating summa cum laude with a cumulative GPA of 4.0.

# PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

More than 80 students have received their Pharmacy Technician certificates since the program began at Southern State in 2006. The 2016 graduating class includes: from **Highland County**, Shawn Brown of Seaman, and Zachary Rumer of Leesburg; from **Clinton County**, Brandi Loury of New Vienna; and from **Brown County**, Jessica Roehm of Bethel. Brandi Loury was recognized for excellent achievement, graduating summa cum laude with a cumulative GPA of 4.0.

# **MORE INFO**

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