



*The Career Opportunity
of a Lifetime ...*

**Servicing Technology
that Saves Lives**

Rewarding – Meaningful – Always in Demand

Make a difference every day with a career in Biomedical Equipment Technology!

What do BMETs do?

If you are looking for a meaningful career that offers a lifetime of opportunities, consider a career as a biomedical equipment technician (BMET)—an important and respected member of the healthcare team. BMETs are responsible for servicing and maintaining medical equipment and technology for hospitals and other healthcare facilities, manufacturers, and third-party service organizations around the world. Skilled technicians help acquire, install, use, maintain, and train healthcare personnel to use cutting-edge medical equipment. BMETs also coordinate contracts and play a key role in investigating device-related problems. Every day is different, and every day offers new opportunities, challenges, and learning experiences.

What skills do I need to become a BMET?

- Technical and problem-solving abilities
- Mechanical aptitude and good hand-eye coordination
- An interest in science, new technology, electro-mechanics, and improving the quality of healthcare delivery
- Attention to detail, communication skills, and the ability to work as part of a team

What education and training do I need?

Many BMETs enter the profession with a two-year associate's degree in biomedical equipment technology, electronics, or an engineering-related field. Some technicians with electronics education may train on the job. Military training is another frequent method of entry into the field.



This job is a perfect fit—working with people, managing projects, troubleshooting equipment repair, and knowing what we do makes a difference.

Vickie Snyder,
Fairview Southdale Hospital

I would encourage anyone who has a dream of working with technology and people to become a BMET. The opportunities are unlimited.

Horace Hunter,
Archbold Memorial Hospital

What are the benefits?

- **Salary and fringe benefits.** These vary significantly based on duties, education, geography, skills, and qualifications. Entry-level salaries usually fall in the \$30,000 to \$50,000 range, while senior-level salaries typically fall in the \$50,000 to \$80,000 range.
- **Advancement opportunities.** With training and education, there are significant opportunities for advancement as a supervisor, specialist, clinical engineer, or information technologist.
- **Job satisfaction.** BMETs find it professionally and personally rewarding to improve patient care and safety, and deploy cutting-edge medical technologies that save lives.
- **In-demand skills.** BMETs are in demand throughout the U.S. and around the world, in large metropolitan areas, and in small towns—wherever healthcare technology is needed.

What's the long-term outlook?

The number of jobs in the U.S. will increase between 21 and 34 percent through 2010, according to the U.S. Department of Labor. With the rapidly expanding elderly population, demand for healthcare professionals will remain high. As medical equipment becomes increasingly complicated, the need for highly trained technicians will be a necessity for hospitals and healthcare facilities in all parts of the world.



Where else can you combine electronic skills, troubleshooting skills, human/customer relations skills, and practice financial responsibility? Where else can you rub shoulders with people who have dedicated their lives to the welfare of others?

Sonny Richards, CBET,
ARAMARK



There's nothing like it. It's one of the best jobs in the world.

David Francoeur, CBET,
TriMedx Healthcare
Equipment Services

Interested in learning more?

The Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation (AAMI)—which represents a unique alliance of medical device developers, manufacturers, and users of medical technology—offers a wealth of information about the field at www.aami.org.



- **Job vacancies** www.aami.org/career
- **A listing of biomed schools** www.aami.org/resources
- **Certification opportunities** www.aami.org/certification
- **Industry news** www.aami.org

In 2004, AAMI formed the Technology Management Council (TMC), representing the interests of BMETs, clinical engineers, and other medical technology professionals. For more information about the TMC's accomplishments and ongoing projects, please visit www.aami.org/tmc.



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