

Speech Aug 2012

We made it! My name is Elizabeth Mills and I'm the president of the Medical Assisting program of 2011-2012. The first thing I'd like to do **this evening** is to take a moment and thank our families who have supported us and been there for us through the past year. You have made this year go so much easier with your support. I thank you for giving us this time to learn to be medical assistants and to become the best we can be. This year has been full of ups and downs but through it all, we have all been there for each other. I have to admit, this has been the most cohesive group I've ever been a part of. We have all got along and the support that we have given each other has been an amazing blessing.

We started out as strangers, each coming into this program with our own reasons. I remember looking around at all these ladies and wondering about each of them. Why did they choose to come to the Medical Assisting program? Are they nervous? Am I ready for the upcoming year? At the end, we ended up as life-long friends, each with the desire to help **others and making a difference in our profession.**

I would like to take a moment to give a special thank you to our **instructor** Ms. Scott. She taught us so many things about the medical assisting profession. Thanks to her, I believe that we have become medical assistants that are proud and willing to go above and beyond. Thank you so much Ms. Scott for your guidance and knowledge. I know that none of us will ever forget everything you have done for us in this last year.

There were many early mornings and many late nights. Sacrifices were made by friends, family and ourselves. For one year, we ate, slept and breathed the program. I can look back now with thankfulness that our medical assisting program taught us to deal with the challenges that come with working in a doctor's office. We are knowledgeable, flexible and good at what we do. I truly believe that our intensive program has made us an asset wherever we end up working **as Certified Medical Assistants.**

In conclusion, I would like us to take time to enjoy our graduation, take pictures, give hugs and look forward to the bright future that awaits us. I will forever be thankful for making 15 new

friends, 14 of my classmates and Ms. Scott. All of you will always have a special place in my heart. Let's get out there and be the best Certified Medical Assistants we can be. Good luck and God bless!

Thank you

Good Evening everyone.

Thank you all for being here today.

It was about a year ago that fourteen of us handed our lives to Mrs. Gina Scott. In a matter of 12 months, she managed to train us, **teach us how to make a difference and** prepare us to the best of her knowledge for the beginning of our new careers **as Certified Medical Assistants**. She was very clear from day one of how hard, time consuming, and stressful the year was going to be, and I don't think any of us believed her until those three cups of coffee in the morning and two hours of sleep the night before. Many of us had jobs and a family to take care of, so you can only imagine how stressful it was to take 16 **college credit hours** at a time and try to manage a life outside of school. Thankfully, I can honestly speak for everyone in my class and say that we could not have done this without the help of our amazing support groups; our parents, siblings, friends, husbands, boyfriends, and everyone else I failed to mention. I am sure some of you even learned with us along the way with our handy dandy flashcards and anatomy terminology, which to this day I am not sure, why they use such big words that have a thousand pronunciations that I have no idea how to spell... I would like to take this time to thank my mom and dad for all their help and support, you both have no idea how lucky I am and hope that someday I can repay you. **We would also like to give a special thanks to Darcy Mingoia from the Lonestar Foundation for the grant money that was awarded to 10 of us and also for paying for all of us to take the Certified Medical Assistant Examination in October. We are truly very thankful for everything you made possible.**

Another thing that Mrs. Scott pointed out to us in the beginning of the year was that we were going to get to know each other pretty well, and ask any of us, we most certainly did. Being stuck in a room full of 13 other women is no easy task for anybody, but put the right 14 ladies together in a room, and it just works. **We found** our way of doing things and we accepted each other for who we are, which is what we did. We were all there to help each other. From Abby's study tip on how to memorize the blood flow from the heart to the body, which I forgot by the way, to Christy's pop quizzes in the hall before a test. We had our momma bear who always cared of how we were feeling and if we slept well enough the night before. Then we had our cheer leaders who always used positive attitude and made us believe we would pass that morning's test. Then we had the silly ones that always managed to make us laugh after a stressful day, and we can't forget about the ones that gave us that little push and late night reminders that our competencies were due the next day, and we can't thank enough to the ones who had the patience to help us out and explain to us how it all made sense. Thank you ladies for being my family this year, you honestly all touched my heart in more ways than one.

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Evelyn Vera – Class President

In the past year I have learned a lot more than what I signed up for. I have gained the friendship of thirteen beautiful ladies, the knowledge to be the best **Certified Medical Assistant I can be**, and the determination to keep going. The word success has many meanings, but look around you... this entire room is filled with the word success, and I am most certain it won't stop here. Now here we are, at the end of the year but the beginning of a new path... It's very comforting to know that we've chosen a career that has a lot of growth and is quite demanding. Now, it is in our hands to do something big with it. We all get to go our separate ways now and begin a life that is well over due. Thank you Mrs. Scott for **this** opportunity... Congratulations everyone. We made it!