I would like to start my report by stating what a privilege it is to be serving on the ARC-ST. The ARC-ST has been a dynamic group and will be undergoing changes in the 2009 year.

In 2008, new, updated Standards and Guidelines for Educational Programs in Surgical Assisting, necessary for outcomes-based accreditation, were adopted by CAAHEP and implemented effective August 1, 2008.

At the September, 2008 meeting, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to change its name to the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA) to more accurately reflect the full range of accreditation services provided to the surgical assisting community. This change will go into effect on August 1, 2009.

In 2009, the Board will hold three formal, face-to-face meetings; two to address program applications for accreditation and one to address business matters. Additionally, there will be two conference calls as needed to address matters of surgical technology Standards and Guidelines development in 2009, which is the CAAHEP mandated year for review and revision.

The current ARC-ST Board of Directors is as follows:
- Tony Makin, CST, BS, FAST, Chair
- Kathy Lee, CST, MS, Vice-Chair
- Jeff Bidwell, CST/CFA, CSA, MA, Secretary/Treasurer
- Joe Long, CST, EdD, FAST, Director
- Julia Jackson, CST, Med, FAST, Director
- Carolyn Stewart, PhD, EdD, Director
- Sean Harbison, MD, FACS, Director
- Reid Adams, MD, FACS, Director

The ARC will welcome three new directors this year. Dr. Reid Adams was named by the American College of Surgeons to replace Dr. James Hassett. Julia Jackson and Joseph Long have served two full terms on the Board of Directors and have been replaced by Betsy Slagle, MS, RN, CST and Connie Bell, CST.

The Subcommittee on Accreditation for Surgical Assisting (SASA) will meet formally twice this year to consider program applications. SASA members will continue to address the future of Surgical Assisting through programmatic accreditation.

The current SASA members are as follows:
- Clinton Crews, MPH, Chair
- David Jeannette, CSA
- Dorothy Rothgery, CST/CSA, MS
- Van Bates, CST, BA
- Carolyn Stewart, PhD, EdD

At the end of May 2009, we anticipate that there will be 460 CAAHEP accredited surgical technology programs with 5 programs seeking initial CAAHEP accreditation. Additionally, there are currently 10 CAAHEP accredited Surgical Assisting programs with three applicant programs for initial CAAHEP accreditation.
The ARC-ST Board of Directors will award the following scholarships in 2009, with the winners announced at the national Instructors Workshop:

- $1000 Student Scholarship or multiple scholarships totaling $1000
- $1000 Advanced Education Educator Scholarship
- $1000 Certification Credential Educator Scholarship

In February 2008, at the Instructors Forum held in Memphis, Tennessee, the ARC-ST conducted an Accreditation Fundamentals for Educators (AFE) workshop which was conducted again at the 2008 Instructors Workshop in Orlando, and the 2009 Instructors Forum in San Diego. As a result of these successful efforts, the AFE will be conducted at every Instructors Forum and Instructors Workshop. The ARC-ST also unveiled its Standards Interpretive Guide (SIG) for surgical technology programs at the February 2009, Instructors Forum held in San Diego, California. This guide is designed to help the site visitor, program director, as well as the school administrators, understand the CAAHEP program accreditation Standards. A similar guide is in development for the surgical assisting programs.

Beginning August 1, 2008, the transition process from the PAE to the CST exam as a program outcomes indicator in surgical technology began with a pilot test year. As of this report, approximately half of all accredited surgical technology programs have chosen the NBSTSA’s CST exam as the preferred outcomes-based program assessment examination. Pending results of the pilot test year, programs that did not choose the national CST exam option will continue to use the PAE.

To support the education community and to promote interaction between the ARC-ST, surgical technology program directors, instructors, and administrators, the ARC-ST publishes the ARC-ST Communiqué on a periodic basis. This useful publication is available to any program director, instructor, or school administrator. To receive a subscription, please contact the ARC-ST office to add your name and e-mail address to the ARC-ST mailing list.

The ARC-ST staff members are:

- **Keith R. Orloff,** CST, FAST, Executive Director
- **Ann Marie McGuiness,** CST, MSEd, CNOR, Director of Accreditation Services
- **Elaine McFarlane,** BA, Accreditation Coordinator-Operations
- **Rita Martin,** Administrative Assistant

Each of these individuals is available to assist surgical technology and surgical assisting programs with our full range of accreditation services. Current accreditation information may also be readily obtained by visiting [www.arcst.org](http://www.arcst.org).

As usual, the ARC-ST has successfully hosted a booth at the Conference exhibition hall where Board members and staff members were available to answer questions.

On behalf of the ARC-ST Board of Directors and its subcommittee SASA, I want to wish you a wonderful summer.

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**~ Calendar of Meetings and Events ~**

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ATTENTION
NEW
PROGRAM DIRECTORS!!

NEW 2009 REQUIREMENTS
FOR NEWLY APPOINTED
PROGRAM DIRECTORS

At the Fall 2008 Board of Directors meeting, the board approved a new mandatory professional development requirement for newly appointed program directors.

Effective January 1, 2009, all newly appointed program directors are required to attend an ARC-ST Accreditation Fundamentals for Educators (AFE) Workshop within one (1) year of appointment.

The AFE Workshop is designed to give program directors basic information on the accreditation process, including information on:
- Accreditation Definitions
- Accreditation Actions
- Types of Accrediting Bodies
- The Accreditation Process
- Institutional versus Programmatic Accreditation
- Assessment Planning
- Terminology Associated with Accreditation
- Standards Interpretive Guide
- Initial versus Continuing Accreditation

While this workshop is open to all Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting Program Directors and educators, newly appointed ST and SA program directors will be required to submit proof of attending an AFE to the ARC-ST in support of their appointment.

The workshops will be offered three times per year:
- Friday before the AST Instructors Forum (February)
- during the AST Instructors Workshop (May)
- in Denver, CO on August 1, 2009. (registration and information available online at www.arcst.org)

The cost of the workshop is $50 plus travel and accommodations.

Please contact the ARC-ST at 303-694-9269 or ann.mcguiness@arcst.org for more information.

The ARC-ST has a new name AND a new look!!!

At its Fall 2008 meeting, the ARC-ST Board of Directors, in collaboration with the Subcommittee on Accreditation for Surgical Assisting (SASA), decided to change the name of the ARC-ST to better reflect all education programs served by this organization.

Effective August 1, 2009, the ARC-ST will officially become the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA). The ARC/STSA can still be reached by mail at 6 West Dry Creek Circle, Suite 110, Littleton, CO 80120, by phone at 303-694-9262, by fax at 303-741-3655, or e-mail (E-mail addresses remain unchanged)!!
ACCREDITATION
FUNDAMENTALS FOR
EDUCATORS (AFE)
WORKSHOP
Denver, CO — August 1, 2009
8AM–2PM

Hilton Gardens Inn — Highlands Ranch
Denver, CO
1050 Plaza Drive; Highlands Ranch, CO 80126
303-683-4100

$79/night single or double occupancy + tax
[be sure to ask for the ARC-ST group rate]


Ground transportation can be reserved through Super Shuttle
www.supershuttle.com or 800 BLUE VAN (800-258-3826)

AFE Registration—Denver, CO—August 1, 2009

Date: ________________ Member/Certification No: _________________________________

Name (please print): __________________________________________________________________

Circle Title: CST, CFA CST ST CSA Other: _________________________________

Job Title: _____________________________________________________________________________

School/Program: _______________________________________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________________

City: ____________________________ State: _____ Zip: ______________________

Work Phone: __________________________ Home Phone: ____________________________

E-mail: _______________________________________________________________________________

Money Order/check enclosed for $50.00 (no purchase orders accepted) - Registration and lunch included.

Please submit registration and payment to the ARC-ST, 6 West Dry Creek Circle, Suite 110, Littleton, CO 80120-8031.
Advance Registration due no later than July 13, 2009.
Executive Director’s Corner  
By Keith R. Orloff, CST, FAST

Since our last Communiqué and as we approach the end of the Spring term for many programs, the ARC-ST Board of Directors (BoD), the Subcommittee on Accreditation for Surgical Assisting (SASA) and the accreditation services staff have experienced an exceptional period of activity.

Positive events affecting programmatic accreditation services for surgical technology and surgical assisting over the last 6 months as a result of the work of both SASA, ARC-ST and CAAHEP are highlighted below.

- Conducted 50 on-site visits and 125+ reviews of program applications, progress reports, and other accreditation related activities from September 2008 through May 2009.
- Recommended 15 Initial and 40 Continuing accreditation awards in surgical technology and 2 Initial and 1 Continuing accreditation awards in surgical assisting resulting in approximately 460 surgical technology and 10 surgical assisting CAAHEP accredited programs to date.
- Awarded 2009 Scholarships totaling $3000 to 4 students and 1 educator as a service to the student and educator communities (see the 2009 Scholarship award announcement in this issue of the Communiqué.)
- Contributed $1000 donation to the Boys Town of Las Vegas in collaboration with the AST sponsored pre-Conference community outreach event.
- Reid Adams, MD, FACS, Betsy Slagle, MS, RN, CST and Connie Bell, CST joined the BoD as its newest members.
- Sean Harbison, MD, FACS, current BoD member, was elected as the newest member of the CAAHEP Board of Directors.
- Launched the new Standards Interpretive Guide (SIG) for surgical technology programs to assist programs in complying with the CAAHEP Surgical Technology Standards & Guidelines.
- Launched an Implementation Timeline to assist programs in complying with the 2008 CAAHEP Surgical Assisting Standards & Guidelines which took effect August 1, 2008.
- Hosted the enhanced Accreditation Fundamentals for Educators (AFE) workshop twice for 100+ participants. The AFE is a required tool to assist all new program directors (effective January 1, 2009) and is available to all program directors, instructors and school administrators.
- Hosted Site Visitor Training workshops, Beginning and Advanced, at both the Instructors Forum in San Diego and the Instructors Workshop in Las Vegas involving 100+ participants.
- Implemented, in collaboration with CAAHEP, a new On-Site Visitor Agreement defining the basic relationship with our volunteer on-site evaluators.
- Adopted significant new policies including a new Consent to Serve and Code of Conduct for both the BoD and SASA and a Whistleblower policy.
- Posted standardized ARC-ST reporting forms on the website for easy access 24 hours a day (see Forms and Facts link at www.arcst.org).
- Exhibited at the American College of Surgeon’s 94th Clinical Congress in San Francisco and at the Association of peri-Operative Nurses’ 56th Congress in Chicago.
- Adopted and posted the new logo to accompany our new name, the Accreditation Review Council on Education in Surgical Technology and Surgical Assisting (ARC/STSA) which takes effect August 1, 2009.

As the sole Committee on Accreditation (CoA) for accreditation of education programs in surgical technology and surgical assisting recognized by CAAHEP, the ARC-ST renders professional services to both allied health disciplines using volunteer evaluators. New site visitor applicants are needed. All qualified candidates are urged to apply (please see the Site Visitor Information link at www.arcst.org).

ARC-ST and CAAHEP share a collaborative mission to provide world-class recognition for quality surgical technology and surgical assisting education to the student, educator, regulatory and healthcare consumer communities, through specialized programmatic accreditation services. CAAHEP accreditation continues to serve as the gold standard for programmatic accreditation in the healthcare professions. The ARC-ST is proud to collaborate with CAAHEP in service to all of our communities of interest.

Congratulations to all of these programs who have been awarded initial and continuing CAAHEP programmatic accreditation...we applaud your continuing commitment to excellence in surgical technology and surgical assisting education through specialized programmatic accreditation.
At its March 2009 meeting, the ARC-ST Board of Directors awarded the following 2009 scholarships* (presented in alphabetical order)

**Student Scholarships ($500)**
- Sandra Bautista (Dover Business College, Clifton, NJ)
- Heidi Downey (St. Luke’s Hospital and Health Network, Bethlehem, PA)
- Karla Remick (Hillyard Technical Center, St. Joseph, MO)
- Jacquelyn Rogers (Dover Business College, Dover, NJ)

**Educator Scholarship—Advanced Degree ($1000)**
- Dana Grafft (Iowa Lakes Community College, Spencer, IA)

*There were no applications for the Educators Scholarship-Certification Credential.

More information on these scholarship winners will be published in the Fall 2009 Communiqué. Congratulations to each ARC-ST Scholarship Winner and Best of Wishes as you pursue your personal and professional goals!

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**~ NAME THAT NEWSLETTER ~**

Along with our new name and logo, the ARC/STSA is looking for a new name for this newsletter. Please submit all suggestions via e-mail to ann.mcguiness@arcst.org. on or before October 1, 2009

The new name will be selected by the ARC/STSA Board of Directors and announced in January 2010

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**CAAHEP Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation of Educational Programs in Surgical Technology ~2010 Revisions ~ Public Comment Period**

In 2010, CAAHEP will publish revised Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation of Educational Programs in Surgical Technology and is seeking general comments from its communities of interest—including Surgical Technology program directors, faculty, and administrators.

Please submit your comments and suggestions, citing the specific Standard to which they apply, on or before **September 1, 2009**. Comments will be accepted via general mail delivery to:

ARC-ST
6 West Dry Creek Circle, Suite 110
Littleton, CO 80120-8031

Comments may also be submitted via e-mail to ann.mcguiness@arcst.org.
The Subcommittee on Accreditation in Surgical Assisting (SASA) Updates

The Commission on Accreditation of Allied Health Education Programs (CAAHEP), upon the recommendation of the Accreditation Review Committee on Education in Surgical Technology (ARC-ST) and its Subcommittee on Surgical Assisting Accreditation (SASA), adopted the 2008 CAAHEP Standards & Guidelines for Education in Surgical Assisting as approved by the American College of Surgeons (ACS), the Association of Surgical Technologists (AST) and the National Surgical Assistant Association (NSAA) at the open hearing in Denver on July 25, 2008. These revised SA Standards are part of a CAAHEP process which requires each of the Committees on Accreditation (e.g.; ARC-ST/SASA) to periodically review and update their standards to reflect both outcomes-based accreditation and changes to the educational needs of the profession.

These SA Standards & Guidelines are the direct result of three years of review and analysis as part of the CAAHEP process for standards revision and are designed to address the needs of our sponsors, accredited programs, students, practitioners and educators in reflecting the professional development of the field of surgical assisting.

The SA Standards & Guidelines became effective August 1, 2008 and are posted on the ARC-ST website (www.arcst.org) for easy access. Please note, only programs currently accredited or which have submitted a completed accreditation application package to the SASA/ARC-ST prior to August 1, 2008 may continue to operate under the 2002 Standards & Guidelines for a limited time. Those programs should begin to transition to the 2008 Standards and should refer to the 2008 Standards Implementation Timeline below to determine which Standards may be met at a later date.

Timeline for Surgical Assisting 2008 Standards Compliance

New Applications: Initial applications received on or after August 1, 2008 must comply with all 2008 Standards.

Current Applications: Initial applications received before August 1, 2008—see timeline for currently accredited programs below.

Currently Accredited Programs: Accredited programs must meet or exceed all Standards on August 1, 2008 except as follows:

- **Standard I A 1** Institutional Accreditation August 1, 2010 - Mandatory demonstration of institutional accreditation (national or regional).
- **Standard III C** Resources – Curriculum August 1, 2010 - Mandatory demonstration of compliance with Core Curriculum for SA, 2nd Ed.
- **Standard IV B** Student Evaluation – Outcomes Assessment August 1, 2009
  - Implement outcomes assessment beginning with academic year 8/1/09 – 7/31/10
  - Core Indicators = Graduate Satisfaction, Employer Satisfaction, retention, placement and program assessment examination (CFA or CSA exam)
  - Program initial annual reporting of outcomes
ARC/STSA
Pre- Instructors Forum Workshops 2010

February 5, 2010

Francis Marion Hotel
387 King Street
Charleston, SC 29403

8am – 12pm — Fundamentals of Accreditation (AFE) Workshop (4 CE)
Cost: $50 per person — in addition to IF registration fees, if also attending the IF

1 – 5 pm — ARC/STSA Site Visitor’s Training (4 CE)
Cost: Free — (Beginners Prerequisite: Status as current site visitor or Accreditation Fundamentals for Educators (AFE) attendance and CAAHEP Site Visitor online training. Advanced Prerequisite: Status as current site visitor and performed at least one site visit.)

For further information on the ARC/STSA Pre- Instructors’ Forum Workshops 2010 or to register, visit http://www.arcst.org or call ARC/STSA at 303-694-9262.

ARC-ST Summer/Fall 2009 Office Hours/Holiday Schedule

ARC-ST regular office hours are Monday - Friday, 8 AM - 4:30 PM (Mountain Time).

Offices Closed

ARC-ST offices will be closed on the dates noted below in observance of national holidays. Accreditation services and assistance will resume on the next business day during regular office hours.

Friday, July 3, 2009: Independence Day Observance
Monday, September 7, 2009: Labor Day Observance
Thursday & Friday, November 26-27, 2009: Thanksgiving Observance
Thursday & Friday, December 24-25, 2009: Holiday’s Observance
Friday, January 1, 2010: New Year’s Observance

Note: ARC-ST offices will close at noon on Friday, June 5th, Friday, August 7th, and Friday, October 9th, 2009 for staff development.
Thank You ARC-ST Site Visitors!
We could not do what we do without you!!

Kristi Bailey  
Tina Baumer  
Connie Bell  
Debra Bradley  
Ruth Ann Briggs  
Lorrie Campbell  
Phil Carlock  
Jinnie Cook  
Lynda Custer  
Wanda Dantzler  
Crit Fisher  
Gemma Fournier  
Gregory Frazer  
Julia Hinkle  
Chris Keegan  
Robin Keith  
Susan Kinney  
Chuck Lane  
Wanda Leonard  
Tammy Mangold  
Bonita McCoy  
Libby McNaron  

Janet Milligan  
Jan Olmsted  
Jody Randolph  
Lisa Reed  
Michelle Rey  
Betty Roberts  
Emily Rogers  
Sandra Russell  
Kim Shannon  
Betsy Slagle  
Kathy Snyder  
Christallia Starks  
Joyce Tate  
Lenworth Trail  
BoD and SASA  
Jeff Bidwell  
Clinton Crews  
Kathy Lee  
Joe Long  
Arthur (Tony) Makin  
Dorothy Rothgery

You made our Fall 2008 and Spring 2009 site visits a success!

~ FYA—FOR YOUR ACCREDITATION~

Please contact your IT Department and be sure that any firewalls or security systems permit e-mails from the ARC-ST to be accepted into your regular e-mail inbox, not sent to “junk mail”!!!

Please note the minor (but important) change to the suite number at the ARC-ST when mailing documents—please use SUITE #110!!

The ARC-ST Standards Interpretive Guide (ST SIG) is available at www.arcst.org and can assist programs in understanding the Standards—sort of a “Standards Cheat Sheet”!!!

Instructions  
Forum 2010  
February 5-6, 2010  
Francis Marion Hotel  
387 King Street  
Charleston, SC 29403  

Hotel Reservations: 843-722-0600  
Mention group name, Association of Surgical Technologists, and event name, 2010 Instructors Forum  
Fax: 843-723-4633  
Reservation deadline: January 15, 2010  
Room rate: $139/night, single and double occupancy

For further information on the Instructors Forum 2010 or to register, visit http://www.ast.org or call AST at 800-637-7433, ext. 2514.
### ARC-ST Accreditation Packet $75
The ARC-ST Accreditation Packet (otherwise known as the Self Study packet) is should be ordered when a program is pursuing application for initial accreditation. Materials in this packet include miscellaneous accreditation process and procedure documentation as well as materials required for submission of the self study application.

### Initial Application Fee $1200
This fee is due and must be submitted with the submission of the initial self-study application.

### Initial On-Site Evaluation Fee $2500
The initial on-site evaluation fee covers miscellaneous travel expenses incurred by the ARC-ST during the initial on-site evaluation. This fee is due and must be submitted with the submission of the initial self-study application.

### Consultative Site Visit Fee $4000
The consultative site visit fee covers miscellaneous travel expenses incurred by the ARC-ST during the consultative on-site evaluation. Please see the ARC-ST General Operating Procedures document to reference the circumstances when a consultative on-site evaluation is required. This fee is due and must be submitted at least one (1) month prior to the on-site evaluation.

Fees for the Random/Continuing on-site evaluations will continue to be included in the ARC-ST Annual Fee.

### ARC-ST Annual Fee for Maintenance of Accreditation $1500
This annual fee is due for all accredited surgical technology and surgical assisting programs. Programs will be invoiced between January and March of each year. (**Please note: CAAHEP invoices a $450 dollar fee for the institution in May of each year).  

### Core Curriculum for Surgical Technology $150
(available from AST’s member services) According to Standard III.C, program must meet or exceed the curricular requirements defined in this document.

### CAAHEP Accreditation Fee $450
This annual fee is separate from the ARC-ST fee of $1500 and will be billed by CAAHEP in the month of May.

### ARC-ST Approved Program Assessment Exams
For PAE contact AST at 800-637-7433.  For CST contact NBSTSA at 800-707-0057. Per Standard IV.B, programs must implement one of these Outcomes Evaluation Tools, elected by each program in 2008, as part of ongoing outcomes accreditation requirements.

### Distance Education/Satellite/Consortium Application Fee $250
This fee is for all programs pursuing approval of Distance education, Satellite, and Consortium programs/Due upon submission of application.

### AAD Initial Application Fee $250
This fee is for all programs pursuing the Accelerated Alternate Delivery Course Approval. Due upon submission of application.

### Accelerated Alternate Delivery (AAD) Option Annual Fee $250
All surgical technology programs that have been approved to offer the AAD option will be invoiced as annual fee of $250 in addition to the ARC-ST annual fee.

### Distance Education/Satellite/Consortium Annual Fee $500
All surgical technology and surgical assisting programs that have been approved to offer their program at multiple facilities through a distance education, satellite or consortium model will be invoice an annual fee of $500, per additional facility, in addition to the ARC-ST annual fee.

### Late Fee $100
In addition, the ARC-ST will be strictly enforcing its late fee of $100. This will apply to any materials received in the ARC-ST office after the assigned/requested date. This fee will only be waived if the program notifies the ARC-ST prior to the due date of its inability to meet the assigned date and an extension is granted by the ARC-ST. Only one extension will be granted to each program.
Schools That Have Received
Initial Accreditation:

Congratulations to the following surgical technology and surgical assisting programs that were granted accreditation at the November 2008 and May 2009 CAAHEP meetings. These programs have successfully completed the accreditation process and have met or exceeded the national standards outlined in the Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation of Educational Programs in Surgical Technology or the Standards and Guidelines for the Accreditation of Educational Programs in Surgical Assisting.

Surgical Technology:
Brown Mackie College, Cincinnati, OH
Brown Mackie College, Findlay, OH
Brown Mackie College, Fort Wayne, IN
Colorado Technical University, Pueblo, CO
Dover Business College, Clifton, NJ
East Valley Institute of Technology, Mesa, AZ
Indian Capital Technology Center, Muskogee, OK
McLennan Community College, Waco, TX
Minnesota West Community and Technical College, Luverne, MN
National College, Danville, VA
National College, Harrisonburg, VA
Rasmussen College, Brooklyn Park, MN
Rasmussen College, St. Cloud, MN
St. Mary’s Health Center, Jefferson City, MO
San Juan College, Farmington, NM
South Arkansas Community College, El Dorado, AR

Surgical Assisting:
American Center for Excellence in Surgical Assisting, Inc., Greenwood, Village, CO
National Institute of First Assisting, Centennial, CO

Satellite Approval:
Surgical Technology:
Stevens-Henager College (Murray), Ogden, UT

Distance Education Approval:
Surgical Assisting:
Tulsa Technology Center, Tulsa, OK

Schools That Have Received
Continuing Accreditation:

Surgical Technology:
Academy of Health Care Professions, Houston, TX
Aims Community College, Greeley, CO
Albany Technical College, Albany, GA
Anoka Technical College, Anoka, MN
Athens Technical College, Athens, GA
Augusta Technical College, Augusta, GA

Surgical Assisting:
Eastern Virginia Medical School, Norfolk, VA

Schools That Have Received
Continuing Accreditation (cont.):

Surgical Technology:
Austin Community College, Austin, TX
Boise State University, Boise, ID
Bowling Green Technical College, Bowling Green, KY
Career Technical College, Monroe, LA
Catawba Valley Community College, Hickory, NC
Colorado Technical University, North Kansas City, MO
Concorde Career College, North Hollywood, CA
Concorde Career College, San Diego, CA
Concorde Career Institute, Jacksonville, FL
Dixie State College of Utah, St. George, UT
Florence-Darling Technical College, Florence, SC
Foothills Surgical Technology Consortium—Cleveland Community College, Shelby, NC
Hinds Community College, Jackson, MS
Illinois Central College, East Peoria, IL
Ivy Tech Community College, Indianapolis, IN
Lamson College, Phoenix, AZ
Lee County High Tech—North, Cape Coral, FL
Lindsey Hopkins Education Center, Miami, FL
Lorain County Community College, Elyria, OH
Louisiana Technical College, Lafayette, LA
Madison Area Technical College, Madison, WI
McCann Technical School, North Adams, MA
Monongalia County Technical Education Center, Morgantown, WV
Northampton Community College, Bethlehem, PA
Northland Community and Technical College—East Grand Forks, MN
NYU Langone Medical Center, New York, NY
Parkland College, Champagne, IL
Riverside Regional Medical Center, Newport News, VA
Rockingham Community College, Wentworth, NC
St. Luke’s Hospital and Health Network, Bethlehem, PA
St. Philip’s College, San Antonio, TX
Sanford Brown College, Houston, TX
Sanford Brown Institute, Jacksonville, FL
Sanford Brown Institute, Tampa, FL
Savannah Technical College, Savannah, GA
Simi Valley Adult School and Career Institute, Simi Valley, CA
Somerset Community College, Somerset, KY
South College, Asheville, NC
Southwestern College, Chula Vista, CA
Trinity College of Nursing & Health Sciences, Rock Island, IL
University of St. Francis, Ft. Wayne, IN
Vincennes University, Vincennes, IN
Waubonsee Community College, Aurora, IL

Surgical Assisting:
Eastern Virginia Medical School, Norfolk, VA