



Secondary CTE Health Science Foundational Endorsement

NOTE: This credential is only for instructors who will be teaching the following foundational courses: *Introduction to Health Science, Medical Anatomy & Physiology, Medical Law & Ethics, Medical Terminology, Medical Forensics* and/or *National Health Science Standards (NCHSE)-aligned courses*. Other courses may be approved by the CTE Program Director for Health Science and Public Safety.

Applicant

Legal name:

Date:

Requirements

Hold a bachelor's degree in any science discipline **OR** hold a valid Colorado teacher or alternative teacher license in any secondary (7-2) endorsement area. (*Note to alternative candidates: If you do not successfully complete the alternative program, this CTE authorization will be expired as of the date you discontinue the program.*)

Content Knowledge (Applicants must have A and B):

- A. 21 semester hours of related postsecondary coursework from a regionally accredited institution verified on an official transcript to include a minimum of semester hours identified in the table below.

AND

- B. Have completed the Health Science Foundations Program offered by the Colorado Community College System's CTE office. (A certificate will be provided to the applicant upon successful completion by the Colorado Community College System).

Content Coursework (Applicants must have the min. semester hours required in each category)	Coursework	Semester Hours
Minimum Required For Each Area:		
Biology with Lab (min. 4 semester hours)		
Anatomy with Lab (min. 4 semester hours)		
Physiology with Lab (min. 4 semester hours)		
Medical Terminology (min. 2 semester hours)		
Nutrition (min. 2 semester hours)		

Total semester hours:

Professional development activities may be considered in lieu of up to 6 semester hours of applicable coursework (except for the required minimums) and must be documented within the application. (15 contact hours = 1 semester hour)

Note: Initial (3-year) CTE authorizations cannot be renewed and always include mandatory CTE coursework assigned at the time of issuance. You will be notified by CDE via email of all required coursework that is needed to move from a three-year to a five-year CTE authorization. Please do not enroll in coursework related to this CTE authorization until you have been notified by the Colorado Department of Education.