During the 21st Century, the reality of a global economy has become increasingly dominant with ever increasing expectations for those entering the workforce. New workforce projections show that California's health care industry will be a key driver of economic growth during the next two decades. All data indicates ample growth opportunity for the health care industry, which makes a strong case for the education system to develop highly educated and highly skilled graduates.

## What is the Health Science & Medical Technology program?

The Health Science & Medical Technology program (HSMT) is an instructional program that will cause students to consider a career in health care and provide information and experiences to fulfill their individual career goals in health care occupations. The HSMT supports health careers education opportunities and options for all students through:

- Health careers education delivery systems:
  - · Health Careers Pathway Programs (Secondary)
  - California Partnership Academies (Secondary)
  - Regional Occupation Programs and Centers (Secondary and Postsecondary)
  - Tech Prep Programs (Secondary and Postsecondary)
- Student leadership through Cal-HOSA (Health Occupations Students of America)
- Research and development of various components critical for success.
- Professional development
- Information sharing and networking

