

# CareerFaces

*A Weekly look at education and potential careers in Manitoba.*

## Medical Office Assistant

### Debra Stockwell



**MEDICAL  
OFFICE  
ASSISTANT**

Debra Stockwell has come full circle and she is now teaching others about her experiences.

Debra graduated from the Medical Office Assistant program at Robertson College in 1992, and since then has held a number of positions at Health Sciences Centre. She is now bringing her knowledge and experience back to Robertson College as a teacher in the Medical Office Assistant program.

"I love what I do, and I want to help others learn to love it as well" says Debra. "The most amazing thing about this type of career is the variety it offers. You can work with patients or

behind the scenes, in research or in a clinic, the possibilities are endless."

Some of the experience that Debra shares with her students is drawn from her positions in the Children's Asthma Education Centre and the Pediatric Allergy Office at Health Sciences Centre. "Medicine is an incredible field to be involved with" comments Debra, "it is so broad and varied that one will never tire of it."

Debra is also a member of Toastmasters International, and she looks forward to using the skills learned through this affiliation to help share her knowledge with the students in her classroom.

Her passion for the medical profession has driven Debra to co-author papers

on pediatric asthma and helping families manage the condition. "I absolutely love helping families" she states, "it is by far the most rewarding aspect of my career."

The Robertson College Medical Office Assistant program is a 9 month program which prepares graduates for positions in medical offices, clinics, or hospitals. Previous graduates have also found successful careers in chiropractic, dental and physiotherapy clinics.

The next program starts on September 6 and the college still has a few spots available for interested students.

Debra is looking forward to sharing her enthusiasm and knowledge with others who are interested in a career in the health sector.

*To learn more about the Medical Office Assistant Program call 943-5661*

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