



ABHES Graduate Success Story: Pima Medical Institute

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After my layoff from AOL and 24 years spent in the call center world, I had no idea what to do or where to go. While in the military, I served 6 years in the medical field. When I got out, the civilian world did not recognize anything I had to offer (I had to be supervised to put on a band aid). In order to support myself I worked at a call center and climbed the ladder into management positions. I could only get so far due to my lack of education or degree. After talking it over with my girlfriend, I decided it was time to live my dream of being in the medical profession and I enrolled at PMI.

I graduated and was inducted into the Lamda Beta Honor Society. I am now living out my dream as a Respiratory Therapist. At the age of 49 I am qualified to say – “It is never too late to give up on your dreams!” Thank you AOL for laying me off and thank you PMI for allowing me to live my dream!