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Employers are looking for candidates with these critical skills:

- Speaking and listening
- Service orientation
- Reading comprehension
- Writing skills
- Social perceptiveness
- Computer skills
- Customer service
- Knowledge of medical terminology

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