

# PHARMACY TECHNICIANS

OCCUPATION OUTLOOK IN MICHIGAN, 2023

## WHAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE?

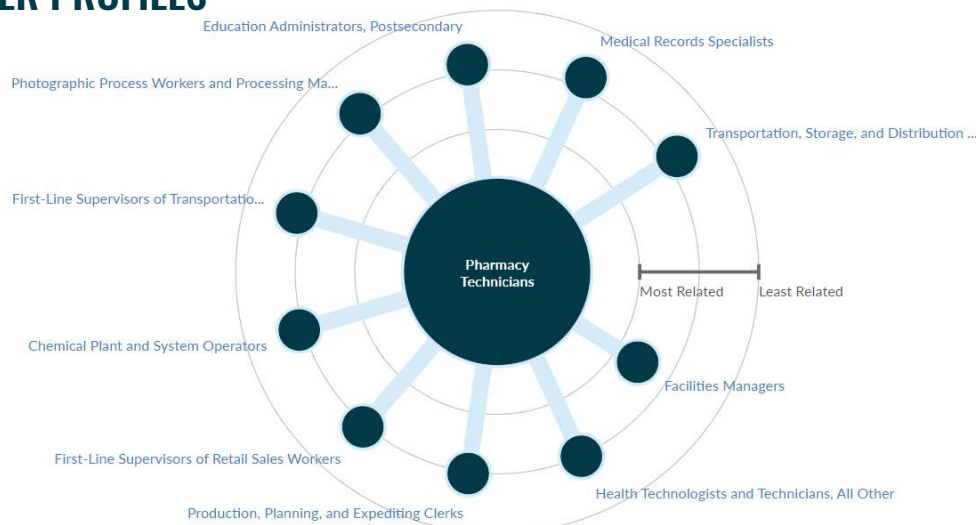
Pharmacy Technicians are the face of operations anytime a person needs a prescription to be filled. Their primary duties are to prepare medications under the direction of a pharmacist, including measuring, mixing and counting. They will also enter prescription information into databases, verify prescription accuracy, and maintain patient profiles. As the first point of contact with the public, customer service skills are very important in addition to a high volume of standard clerical work such as record keeping and maintenance.

**15,600  
WORKERS  
EMPLOYED**

## HOW MUCH COULD I EARN?

	ENTRY	MEDIAN	EXPERIENCED
Pharmacy Technicians	\$13.54	\$17.59	\$22.53

## RELATED CAREER PROFILES



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## WHAT EDUCATION & SKILLS WILL I NEED?

Pharmacy Technicians typically require a high school diploma, along with moderate on-the-job training or a certificate for entry. About 14 percent of online job postings state a requirement for an associate degree.

## WHAT AREAS OF STUDY SHOULD I CONSIDER?

Areas of study tend to focus on either pharmacy technician/assistant or health/medical prep skills. Pharmacy Technician/Assistant programs have the greatest number of completions, followed by Health/Medical Preparatory Programs, Other. Completions in these and similar programs within the region are shown below compared to job openings.

## WHAT SKILLS SHOULD I DEVELOP?

- Medical Prescription
- Pharmaceuticals
- Pharmacist Assistance
- Inventory Management
- Cash Register
- Customer Service
- Communications
- Mathematics
- Packaging And Labeling
- Operations

## WHAT QUALIFICATIONS SHOULD I PURSUE?

- Certified Pharmacy Technician
- NHA Certified
- Registered Pharmacist (RPh)
- Valid Driver's License
- Pharmacy Intern License

## WHAT ELSE SHOULD I KNOW?

Most of these occupations are open to entry-level applicants who would like to work toward a career in healthcare or other non-health clerical positions. Upward mobility may also be available if workers wish to attain the necessary education and credentials toward becoming a Pharmacist.

## IS THIS FIELD EXPECTED TO GROW?



## HOW DO I GET STARTED?

For more information on how to start your career as a pharmacy technician visit [www.winintelligence.org](http://www.winintelligence.org).

