

How to Become a Pharmacy Technician



Sandusky Career Center is offering a 60-hour Pharmacy Technician course beginning September 12, 2016 or January 11, 2017. Class is on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and runs for 10 weeks.

What do you do as a pharmacy technician? Pharmacy technicians help licensed pharmacists dispense prescription medication to customers or health professionals. They work in retail pharmacies and hospitals.

Duties include:

- Take the information needed to fill a prescription from customers or health professionals
- Measure amounts of medication for prescriptions
- Package and label prescription
- Organize inventory and alert pharmacists to shortages of medications or supplies
- Accept payment for prescriptions and process insurance claims
- Enter customer or patient information into the computer system
- Answer phone calls from customers
- Arrange for customers to speak with pharmacists

Requirements to be accepted into the program and to be able to sit for the examination include a high school diploma or GED and having never been convicted of a pharmacy or drug-related misdemeanor. For more information on PTCB's Code of Conduct please go to their web site - <http://www.ptcb.org/get-certified/apply#.VwP7VIlle7A>

The Bureau of Labor Statistics state that the average salary is \$14.10 and the expected growth of pharmacy technicians is 20%.

If you think you might want to be a Pharmacist after college, this would be a great way to earn money as you are going through school.

The program cost is \$1,387* which includes books, supplies and a national certification test.

*Pricing of tuition, books and supplies is subject to change.



***To sign up for class, call the Sandusky Career Center
Adult Education Office at 419-984-1100.***