

Health Sciences

This career cluster prepares for careers that promote health, wellness, and diagnosis as well as treat injuries and diseases. Some of the careers involve working directly with people, while others involve research into diseases or collecting and formatting data and information. Work locations are varied and may be in hospitals, medical or dental offices or laboratories, cruise ships, medevac units, sports arenas, space centers, or within the community.



HEALTH SCIENCE OCCUPATIONS	Entry Wage
Registered Nurses	\$46,691
Medical and Health Services Managers	\$62,760
Physical Therapists	\$57,600
Physicians and Surgeons, All Other	\$57,712
Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians	\$28,016
Medical Records and Health Information Technicians	\$29,641
Dental Assistants	\$27,633
Radiologic Technologists	\$40,993
Nurse Practitioners	\$68,977
Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists	\$42,695
Pharmacists	\$69,321
Physical Therapist Assistants	\$36,986
Dietitians and Nutritionists	\$40,968

This H3 list based on projected highest number of openings in Nebraska through 2024. Source: Nebraska Department of Labor, Office of Labor Market Information.



TYPICAL HIGH SCHOOL CLASSES

Health Information Technology

Medical Technology

Certified Nursing Assistant

Pharmacy Technician

Medical Aide

Phlebotomy Technician

Behavioral Health

Performance Nutrition

Community Medical Issues / Public Health

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Education Pathways to begin your career	Certificate	Diploma	Associate Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Military
BIOTECHNOLOGY				~	4
CNA - CERTIFIED NURSING ASSISTANT	✓				
DENTAL ASSISTING / DENTAL HYGIENE		✓	✓		✓
EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES / TECHNICIAN	~	~	✓		✓
EMT - PARAMEDIC	~	~	✓		✓
FAMILY CONSUMER SCIENCE / PHYSICAL SCIENCE/ SCIENCE TEACHER				~	
HEALTH INFORMATION MANAGEMENT SERVICES	✓	~	✓	✓	✓
HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY		~	✓	✓	✓
MEDICAL ASSISTING	✓		✓		
MEDICAL INSURANCE CODING / BILLING / CLAIMS			✓		
MEDICAL LABORATORY TECHNOLOGY			✓		✓
MEDICATION AIDE	✓				
NURSING			✓	✓	✓
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSISTANT			✓		✓
PHARMACY TECHNICIAN		~			✓
PHYSICAL THERAPIST ASSISTANT			✓		✓
POLYSOMNOGRAPHIC TECHNOLOGY	✓				✓
RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY			✓		✓
RESPIRATORY CARE			~		✓
SURGICAL TECHNOLOGY			✓		✓

Advanced and professional degrees not included on this chart.

Check out all education and training options. Entry into these careers may begin with:

- Apprenticeships
- On-the-job training
- Attaining stackable credentials
- Entry-level employment

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Nebraska is expecting an increase of 13,272 jobs in this Cluster between 2014 and 2024.

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