

NWI Career Cluster Overview

Healthcare Technician Occupations



(2017)	New Jobs through 2022	(excludes benefits)	
NWI Jobs Now	Projected NWI	NWI Wage Range	

What would I be doing? Healthcare technician occupations include those working mostly in laboratory, clinical, or retail locations such as Radiologic Technologists, Medical Records Technicians, or Pharmacy Technicians. Common responsibilities may include using medical equipment to perform tests, fulfilling prescription orders, and managing healthcare information.

How much money could I be earning? There are many different roles in this field but all of them have the potential to pay solid wages. Regionally, Dietetic Technicians make up to \$18 an hour while Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technologists make up to \$36 an hour.

Where would I be working? Healthcare technician occupations work in hospitals, retail pharmacies, clinical laboratories, offices, and other facilities where medicine is practiced.

Is this a growing field? This field already employs over 3,900 people in Northwest Indiana and is expected to grow 6.9% through 2022 with 269 new job openings coming in the next few years.

What skills should I have? Those that do well in this field are detail-oriented and able to closely follow well-defined procedures while adapting to the needs or restrictions of the patient.



What education or training do I need? Nearly all of these occupations require some sort of post-secondary certificate or an associate degree for their entry-level positions. WorkOne can help with access to training and scholarships so that you can achieve your goal.

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Job Title	NWI Earnings Range	Education and/or Training Required	NWI Jobs (2017)
Medical and Clinical Lab Technologist	\$17-\$36/hr	Bachelor's degree	417
Radiologic Technologist	\$16-\$36/hr	Associate's degree	651
Surgical Technologist	\$15-\$29/hr	Postsecondary certificate	381
Medical and Clinical Lab Technician	\$12-\$26/hr	Associate's degree	417
Medical Records and Health Information Technician	\$10-\$24/hr	Postsecondary certificate	360
Emergency Medical Technician/ Paramedic (EMT)	\$12-27/hr	Postsecondary certificate	439
Pharmacy Technician	\$10-\$18/hr	High school diploma or HSE, moderate-term OJT/certification	1,151
Dietetic Technician	\$8-\$18/hr	Associate's degree	96

What else will my employer expect? According to our survey of 100 area employers, the top ten traits that they expect of their employees are:

- 1. Have a positive attitude
- 2. Work well with others
- 3. Follow directions
- 4. Show up on time
- 5. Recognize problems and find solutions
- 6. Manage time effectively
- 7. Apply good listening skills
- 8. Be honest and dependable
- 9. Pass a drug or background test
- 10. Dress properly and practice good grooming

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Sounds great, so what's my next step? WorkOne NWI is your one-stop resource to move forward in your job search and career development, offering the tools and support you need including:

- Skills assessment
- Resume and cover letter writing assistance
- High school equivalency (HSE) prep and testing
- Training programs and workshops
- Access to training scholarships and grants

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