

# STATE OF THE SECTOR PATHWAY INFORMATION

## Healthcare & Pharmacy

### OVERVIEW

Healthcare is the largest and fastest-growing industry in the United States. Careers in this field promote health, wellness and diagnosis, and treat injuries and diseases.

Some jobs involve working directly with people, while others involve research into diseases or collecting and formatting data and information.

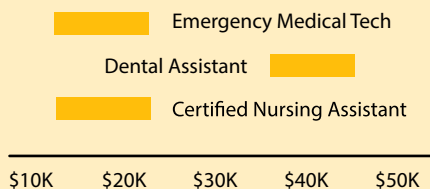
You could work in hospitals, medical or dental offices, laboratories, residential communities, medivac units such as ambulances and helicopters, sports arenas or even cruise ships.

### CONSIDERING A CAREER IN HEALTHCARE AND PHARMACY?

Through the Louisiana Jump Start program, you can attain the following credentials while in high school:

### AVERAGE SALARY RANGE BY CERTIFICATION

\$16,000 to \$38,000



Talk with your counselor to learn more.

### SAMPLE CAREER LADDERS

The 21st Century requires individuals to continuously learn and advance their skillsets. No matter what, you will need some additional training or certification beyond high school. Below are sample career ladders to help you think through your path from entry to high skill employment.

#### ADVANCED

Nurse Practitioner  
Physician Assistant  
Medical Doctor

#### HIGH SKILL

Registered Nurse  
Clinical Laboratory Researcher

#### MIDDLE SKILL

Licensed Practical Nurse  
Paramedic  
Medical Lab Technician

#### ENTRY LEVEL

Patient Care Technician  
Emergency Medical Technician  
Certified Nurse Assistant