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**High Desert**  
Medical College  
a Legacy Education Institution

*Hands-On Career Training  
for the Real World*

# PHARMACY TECHNICIAN DIPLOMA PROGRAM

If you are organized, love working with people and have great listening skills, becoming a Pharmacy Technician may be for you. The Pharmacy Technician program at High Desert Medical College (HDMC) is a great place to begin and it only takes months to complete your diploma. HDMC helps ensure our students can enter the job market ready to go. Our Pharmacy Technician students are prepped for the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) exam which gives them the Certified Pharmacy Technician (CPhT) certification.

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Total Weeks in Program: 34 Weeks - Morning/Afternoon | 42 Weeks - Evening

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Semester Credit Hours: 34.21 | Financial Aid Credits: 24

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Classroom: 600 Hours | Clinical Externship: 160 Hours | Homework: 150 Hours

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Total Clock Hours: 910

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## Career Highlights & Opportunity

As a Pharmacy Technician, you will perform administrative and clinical tasks to support pharmacies from patient interaction to working with the pharmacists. Pharmacy Technicians assist licensed pharmacists in measuring, mixing, counting, labeling, and recording the correct dosages of prescription medications. They may receive and verify prescriptions or refill requests from patients and doctors' offices. Other job responsibilities include verifying inventory, processing medical insurance forms, and operating cash registers to accept payments from customers.

The U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics ranks Pharmacy Technicians among the fastest growing occupations over the 2016-2026 decade. Employment is projected to grow 12% – much faster than the average job ranking. As of 2016, Pharmacy Technicians held about 402,500 jobs with career opportunities in the following pharmaceutical categories: retail, hospitals, community, laboratory, compounding and nuclear.

## Accreditation & Approval

Accreditation and approval guarantees students, faculty and the public that the programs at HDMC meet objective and rigorous third-party standards of educational practices. Our institution is also Accredited by ACCET (Accrediting Council for Continuing Education and Training) and Approved by BPPE (Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education).

## Pharmacy Technician Program Courses Include:

- + Pharmacy Laws & Ethics
- + Microbiology
- + Prescriptions Processing
- + Pharmacology
- + Clinical Externship

## Why HDMC?

High Desert Medical College provides hands-on, comprehensive training that prepares you for a career in a broad scope of opportunities to give you better job options in the future. We offer day and night classes so that you can complete your program around your lifestyle. HDMC staff is qualified and caring with a focus on helping you to succeed providing real tools to thrive in your next work environment. High Desert Medical College provides job placement assistance to all qualified graduates. The college makes no claims guaranteeing employment upon graduation. Federal Financial Aid may be available to those who qualify.

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