



DID YOU KNOW?

In California, health care represents almost 12% of the state's economy, employing 1.4 million skilled workers across several highly skilled and technical occupations. As the population in California is projected to reach 44 million by 2030, the demand for healthcare workers will continue to increase.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN...?

- Caring for people who are sick and suffering
- Researching and performing experiments using the latest technologies
- Collecting data in order to better understand a disease or treatment
- Working collaboratively as part of a team to problem solve
- Being flexible and adaptable to changing situations

DO YOU...?

- Enjoy working on a team
- Pay attention to detail
- Enjoy helping people and being compassionate
- Adapt well to changing situations
- Possess critical thinking and problem-solving skills
- Have emotional stability and empathy
- Have good communication skills and the ability to listen
- Prioritize your daily activities successfully

19% (540) 5-year projected job growth



\$67,138

average earnings per job



Sample of Local Employers

El Centro Regional Medical Center

AccentCare Home Health

Imperial Valley Family Care Medical Group

Spine & Sport Physical Therapy-El Centro

Fresenius Medical Care

Western Dental & Orthodontics

El Centro Medical -Clinicas de Salud del Pueblo

Pioneers Memorial Healthcare



CAREER PATHWAYS & SALARY INFO

| Minimum Education | Career Pathways | Hourly Rate (Salary)* |
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| HS Diploma + Postsecondary Training (e.g., Certificate) | Medical Assistants | \$14 (\$29K) |
| | Phlebotomists | \$16 (\$33K) |
| | Dental Assistants | \$17 (\$35K) |
| | Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses | \$20 (\$42K) |
| Associate Degree or Higher | Clinical Laboratory Technologists and Technicians | \$20 (\$42K) |
| | Respiratory Therapists | \$29 (\$60K) |
| | Registered Nurses | \$35 (\$73K) |
| | Dental Hygienists | \$30 (\$62K) |

*Entry-level hourly rates have been rounded up and salaries are provided as examples of what workers would make if they worked full-time (2080 hours a year)

NOT SURE WHAT YOU'RE INTERESTED IN?

Take the Interest Profiler on the California Career Zone (<u>https://www.cacareerzone.org/ip/</u>)! It will help you explore goals based on your interests. A career counselor at your school can help you further assess your career interests.

HOW TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT CAREERS

- Talk to your teachers and counselors about career exploration, career pathways at your school, and community college career education programs.
- Talk to family, neighbors, and mentors about their education path and about how they chose their career.
- To find the programs at the community colleges that align to the high school CTE pathways, visit <u>https://programfinder.com/</u>.
- To learn about the career education programs offered at the community colleges, visit <u>https://careered.org/college-program-finder/</u>.







