



CAREER PATH

Health

CAREER CLUSTER
Health Sciences

CAREER PATHWAY
Therapeutic Services



LICENSED PRACTICAL NURSE

Care for ill, injured, convalescent, or disabled persons in hospitals, nursing homes, clinics, private homes, group homes, and similar institutions. May work under the supervision of a registered nurse. Licensing required.

Knowledge and Skills Needed

In addition to courses required for high school graduation, essential skills and knowledge needed for a career as a licensed practical nurse are reinforced by taking rigorous and relevant courses, as well as participating in work-based experiences and student organization activities.

(See the Sample Personal Plan of Study for suggested coursework, activities, and knowledge and skills to pursue in preparation of an occupation in this Career Cluster.)

Education Requirements

Occupation	Percent of Missouri employees aged 25 to 44 in the occupation whose highest level of educational attainment is:		
	High School or Less	Some College	Bachelor Degree or More
Licensed practical & licensed vocational nurses	20.6%	72.4%	7.0%
Health technologists & technicians	20.1%	57.1%	22.7%
Healthcare practitioner & technical	9.9%	31.0%	59.1%

Most Common Educational Level: Postsecondary vocational award

Note: Be sure to learn whether your occupation has a specific requirement for education or licensing. Apprenticeships are available for more than 240 occupations. Visit www.oe.doleta.gov/bat.cfm

National and State Wage Information

Location	Pay Period	2007		
		Entry*	Median	Experienced**
United States	Hourly	\$15.53	\$18.24	\$21.78
	Yearly	\$32,300	\$37,900	\$45,300
Missouri	Hourly	\$13.53	\$15.84	\$18.30
	Yearly	\$28,100	\$32,900	\$38,100

Based on (*) lower 25% and (**) upper 25% percentile of wages

National and State Employment Trends

Licensed Practical Nurse	Employment		Percent Change	Job Openings*
	2006	2016		
United States	748,600	853,700	+ 14%	30,920
Missouri	17,180	19,220	+ 12%	580

*The estimate for Job Openings includes both turnover that results from people who leave the occupation (e.g. quit, retire, death) and new jobs that are created.

Educational Opportunities

Note: This list may not be all inclusive. For more information about Missouri schools and programs, visit www.dhe.mo.gov

Boonslick Technical Education Center
Boonville, MO
(660) 882-5306
www.btec.boonville.k12.mo.us

Cape Girardeau Career and Technology Center
Cape Girardeau, MO
(573) 334-0826
www.capectc.org

Cass Career Center
Harrisonville, MO
(816) 380-3253
harrisonvilleschools.org

Colorado Technical University
North Kansas City, MO
(816) 472-0275
www.coloradotech.com

Columbia Area Vocational Technical School
Columbia, MO
(573) 214-3800
www.career-center.org

Concorde Career Colleges
Kansas City, MO
(816) 531-5223
www.concorde.edu

Eldon Career Center
Eldon, MO
(573) 392-8060
www.eldoncareercenter.org

Four Rivers
Washington, MO
(636) 239-7777
www.washington.k12.mo.us/schools/frcc/index.htm

Franklin Technology - MSSU
Joplin, MO
(417) 659-4400
www.ftcjoplin.com

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Gibson Technical Center
Reeds Spring, MO
(417) 272-3271
www.wolves.k12.mo.us/gtc

Hannibal Career and Technical Center
Hannibal, MO
(573) 221-4430
www.hannibal.tec.mo.us

Hillyard Technical Center
Saint Joseph, MO
(816) 671-4170
www.hillyardtech.com

Jefferson College
Hillsboro, MO
(636) 797-3000
www.jeffco.edu

Kennett Career and Technology Center
Kennett, MO
(573) 717-1123
www.kennett.k12.mo.us

Kirksville Area Technical Center
Kirksville, MO
(660) 665-2865
www.kirksville.k12.mo.us/Tech_Center/index.html

Lebanon Technology and Career Center
Lebanon, MO
(417) 532-5494
www.lebanon.k12.mo.us/ltcc

Lex La-Ray Technical Center
Lexington, MO
(660) 259-2264
www.lexington.k12.mo.us

**Metropolitan Community College
-Penn Valley**
Kansas City, MO
(816) 759-4000
www.mcckc.edu

Mineral Area College
Park Hills, MO
(573) 431-4593
www.mineralarea.edu

Moberly Area Community College
Moberly, MO
(660) 263-4110
www.macc.edu

Nichols Career Center
Jefferson City, MO
(573) 659-3100
www.jcps.k12.mo.us/education/school/school.php?sectionid=707

North Central Missouri College
Trenton, MO
(660) 359-3948
www.ncmissouri.edu

Northland Career Center
Platte City, MO
(816) 858-5505
www.northlandcareercenter.com

Northwest Technical School
Maryville, MO
(660) 562-3022
www.maryville.k12.mo.us/content/view/15/29

Ozarks Technical Community College
Springfield, MO
(417) 447-7500
www.otc.edu

Pike-Lincoln Technical Center
Eolia, MO
(573) 485-2900
www.pltc.k12.mo.us

**Poplar Bluff School District
Practical Nurse Program**
Poplar Bluff, MO
(573) 785-2248
www.r1schools.org

Rolla Technical Institute
Rolla, MO
(573) 458-0150
www.rolla.k12.mo.us

Sanford-Brown College
Saint Peter, MO
(636) 696-2300
www.sbcfenton.com

Sikeston Career and Technology Center
Sikeston, MO
(573) 472-2581
www.sikeston.k12.mo.us

South Central Career Center
West Plains, MO
(417) 256-6152
<http://wphs.k12.mo.us/education/school/school.php?sectionid=5>

St Charles Community College
Cottleville, MO
(636) 922-8400
www.stchas.edu

St Louis College of Health Careers
Fenton, MO
(636) 529-0000
www.slchc.com

State Fair Community College
Sedalia, MO
(660) 530-5800
www.sfccmo.edu

Texas County Technical Institute
Houston, MO
(417) 967-5466
www.texascountytech.edu

Waynesville Technical Academy
Waynesville, MO
(573) 774-6106
www.waynesville.k12.mo.us



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