

# PHARMACY

## Career Pathways Overview

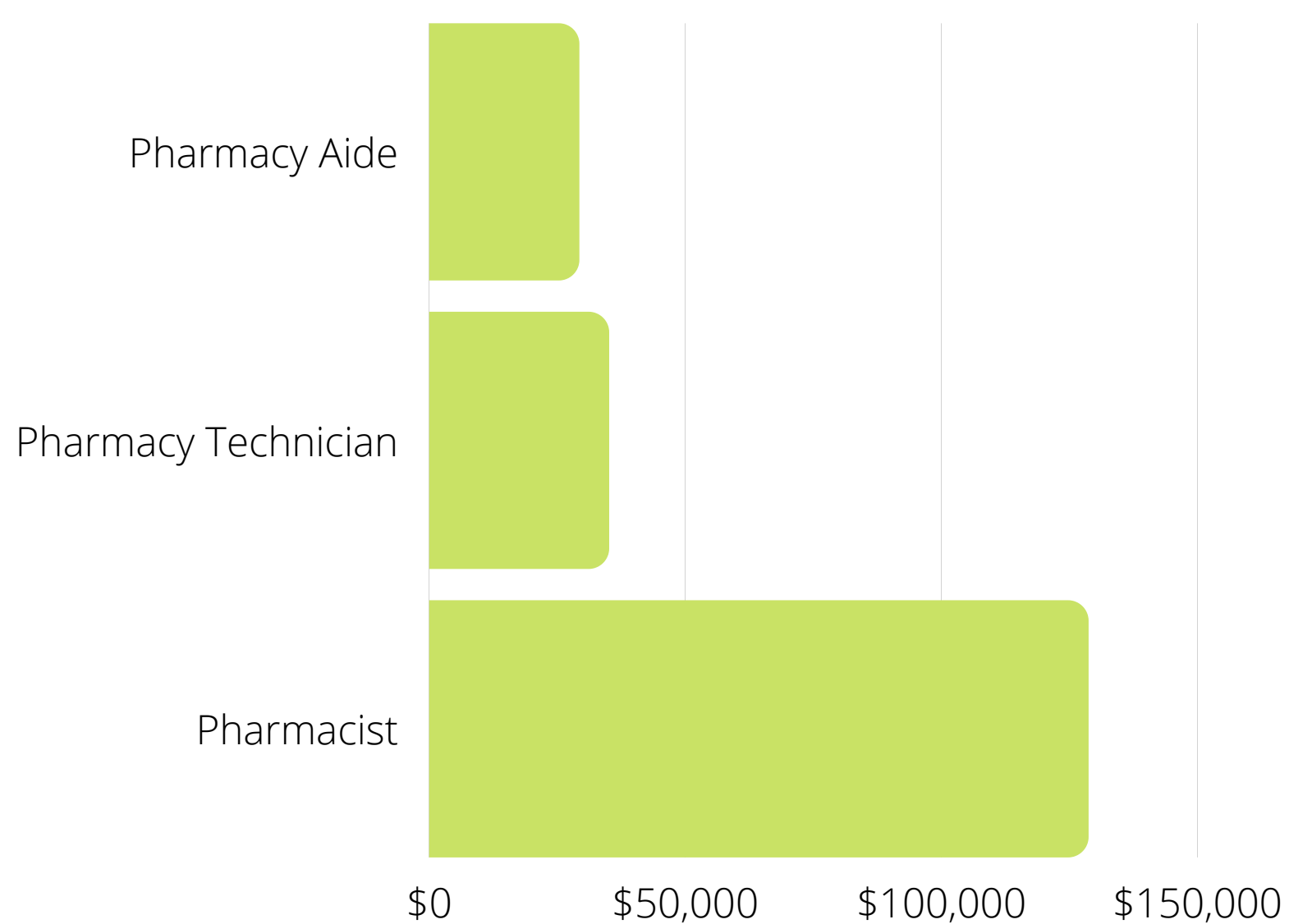
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## OVERVIEW

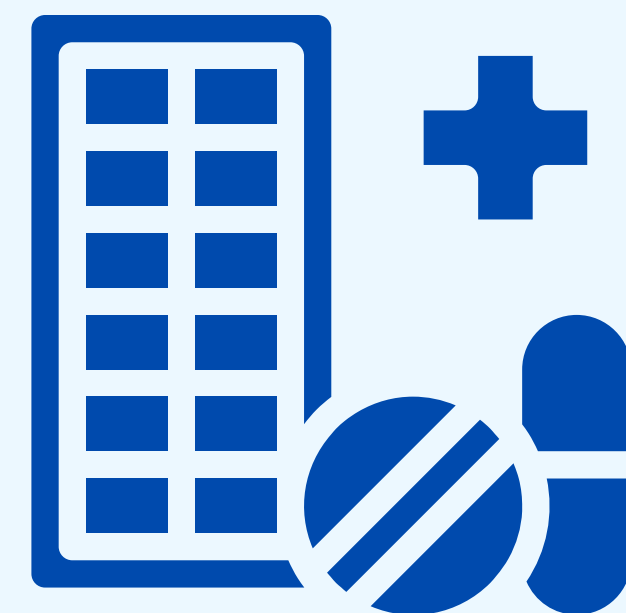
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## THE STATISTICS

Careers within this field include Pharmacy Aide, Pharmacy Technician, and Licensed Pharmacist. The National median ranges listed below are directly correlated with education and experience. The outlook for this pathway is projected to grow 4% from 2019 - 2029.



## PATHWAY



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### PHARMACY AIDE

**Pharmacy aides** perform clerical functions such as record drugs delivered to the pharmacy, store incoming merchandise, and inform the supervisor of stock needs. Pharmacy assistants in retail pharmacies often work as clerks or cashiers. They may answer phones and accept prescriptions for filling. Assistants who work in hospitals deliver medication to patients.

**Credentials Required:** High School Diploma

**Outlook:** Projected 4% growth between 2019-2029

### PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

**Pharmacy technicians** help pharmacists dispense prescription medication to customers or health professionals. In most states, technicians can compound or mix some medications and call physicians for prescription refill authorizations. Technicians also may need to operate automated dispensing equipment when filling prescription orders.

**Credentials Required:** High School Diploma, On-the-job training, postsecondary education programs in pharmacy technology

**Outlook:** Projected 4% growth between 2019-2029

### PHARMACY MANAGERS

**Pharmacists** dispense prescription medications to patients and offer expertise in the safe use of prescriptions. They also may conduct health and wellness screenings, provide immunizations, oversee the medications given to patients, and provide advice on healthy lifestyles.

**Credentials Required:** Doctor of Pharmacy Degree, Postgraduate professional degree, must pass North American Pharmacist Licensure Exam (NAPLEX) and Multistate Pharmacy Jurisprudence Exam (MPJE) exams

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