



## PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

This comprehensive 50 hour course will prepare students to enter the pharmacy field and to take the Pharmacy Technician Certification Board's PTCB exam. Course content includes medical terminology specific to the pharmacy, reading and interpreting prescriptions and defining drugs by generic and brand names. Students will learn dosage calculations, I.V. flow rates, drug compounding, dose conversions, dispensing of prescriptions, inventory control and billing and reimbursement. The Pharmacy Technician Certification Program includes a graded final exam to help prepare students for the PTCB exam.

Pharmacy Technicians work in pharmacies under the direction of a registered pharmacist. Their main responsibility is filling prescriptions according to doctors' orders. Pharmacy Technicians prepare medications for dispensing to patients. This generally includes retrieving drugs in the correct dosage form and strength, measuring the appropriate amount of drug and producing a prescription label.

Pharmacy Technicians work with drugs to be administered orally or topically for the eye, nose, etc. Depending upon the practice setting, a Pharmacy Technician is also involved in the admixture of drugs for intravenous use. Other duties may include: checking inventories, ordering supplies, checking in supplies, assisting customers, keeping pharmacy work areas clean, and completing insurance forms.

Technicians also work in hospitals, home infusion pharmacies, community pharmacies and other health care settings under the supervision of a registered pharmacist.

Note: as the State of Florida does not approve short term Pharmacy Technician programs. Therefore, after the completion of this program students must seek employment with a pharmacy that has an employer-sponsored on-the-job training program in order to meet the registration requirements mandated by the State of Florida.

**LOCATION:** The College of the Florida Keys  
5901 College Road  
Key West, FL  
Room C115

**DATES:** 03/08 to 05/03

**TIMES:** Monday & Wednesday 6:00 PM - 9:30 PM

**CRN:** 21475

**FEES:** \$999

**TO REGISTER:** Enrollment Office Building A



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