

PHARMACY SUPPORT SERVICES 51.0805.00

Program Description, Industry Credentials, Coherent Sequence, and Teacher Certification Requirements

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The **Pharmacy Support Services** program prepares students to prepare medications, provide medications and related assistance to patients, manage pharmacy clinical and business operations. The **Pharmacy Support Services** program includes instruction in medical and pharmaceutical terminology, principles of pharmacology and pharmaceuticals, drug identification, pharmacy laboratory procedures, prescription interpretation, patient communication and education, safety procedures, recordkeeping, measurement and testing techniques, pharmacy business operations, prescription preparation, logistics and dispensing operations, and applicable standards and regulations.

The **Pharmacy Support Services** program is designed and delivered as a coherent sequence of school-based and work-based supervised learning. The **Pharmacy Support Services** students develop leadership, social, civic, and career skills through participation in the Career and Technical Student Organization HOSA (Future Health Professionals).

The **Pharmacy Support Services** instructional program prepares students for entry-level employment, further training, and/or post-secondary education for these and other occupations: Pharmacy Technician, Pharmacy Sales Assistant, Retail Pharmacy Technician, Mail Operations Pharmacy Technician

INDUSTRY CREDENTIALS

Review the [Current CTE Credential List](#) for approved A-F CCR and are CTED eligible for the **Pharmacy Support Services** instructional program.

COHERENT SEQUENCE

51.0805.11 - Pharmacy Support Services I, **and**

51.0805.20 - Pharmacy Support Services II, **and program may elect to add:**

51.0805.25- Pharmacy Support Services III, **or**

51.0805.31 - Pharmacy Support Services IV, **or**

51.0805.70 - Pharmacy Support Services – DCE (Diversified Cooperative Education)
or

51.0805.75 - Pharmacy Support Services – Internship **or**

51.0805.80 - Pharmacy Support Services – Cooperative Education

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TEACHER CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

The instructor must be ADE/CTE certified in one of the following Certificates:

SCTHC Standard Career and Technical Education Health Careers
SSCTEHC Standard Specialized Career and Technical Education Health Careers

- Note:
- Pharmacy Support Services 51.0805.70 (DCE) requires a CTE Teacher to have the Cooperative Education Endorsement (CEN).
 - Pharmacy Support Services 51.0805.75 (Internship) does not require a CTE Teacher to have a Cooperative Education Endorsement (CEN).
 - Pharmacy Support Services 51.0805.80 (Cooperative Ed.) requires CTE Teacher to be appropriately certified for the program and to have a Cooperative Education Endorsement (CEN).