



Level 1
9th Grade
Principles of Health Science

Level 2
10th Grade
Medical Terminology

Level 3
11th Grade
Anatomy and Physiology

Level 4
12th Grade
Pathophysiology

HIGH SCHOOL/INDUSTRY CERTIFICATION	CERTIFICATE/LICENSE*	ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE	BACHELOR'S DEGREE	MASTER'S/DOCTORAL PROFESSIONAL DEGREE
Registered Dental Assistant	Dental Assistant	Dental Hygienist	Dental Hygienist	Dentist
Certified Patient Care Technician	Surgical Technologist	Medical/Clinical Assistant		Physician Assistant
Certified Nurse Aide/Assistant	Medical Assistant			Family and General Practitioners
Pharmacy Technician	Pharmacy Aides			Pharmacist

Occupations	Median Wage	Annual Openings	% Growth
Medical Assistants	\$29,598	8,862	30%
Surgical Technologists	\$45,032	1,150	20%
Dental Hygienists	\$73,507	1,353	38%
Physicians and Surgeons	\$213,071	1,151	30%
Dental Assistants	\$34,840	4,422	31%

WORK BASED LEARNING AND EXPANDED LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

Exploration Activities:	Work Based Learning Activities:
SkillsUSA Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA)	Volunteer at a community wellness center, hospital, assisted living, or nursing home.

Additional industry-based certification information is available on the TEA CTE website. For more information on postsecondary options for this program of study, visit TXCTE.org.

The Healthcare Therapeutic program of study introduces students to occupations and educational opportunities related to diagnosing and treating acute, episodic, or chronic illness independently or as part of a healthcare team. This program of study also includes an introduction to the opportunities associated with providing treatment and counsel to patients as well as rehabilitative programs that help build or restore daily living skills to persons with disabilities or developmental delays.



The Health Science Career Cluster focuses on planning, managing, and providing therapeutic services, diagnostics services, health informatics, support services, and biotechnology research and development. To pursue a career in the health science industry, students should learn to reason, think critically, make decisions, solve problems, communicate effectively, and work well with others.

Successful completion of the Healthcare Therapeutic program of study will fulfill requirements of a Public Service endorsement or STEM endorsement if the math and science requirements are met. Revised - July 2020



COURSE INFORMATION

COURSE NAME	SERVICE ID	PREREQUISITS (PREQ) COREQUISITES (CREQ)	Grade
Principles of Health Science	13020200 (1 credit)	None	9-10
Medical Terminology	13020300 (1 credit)	None	9-12
Anatomy and Physiology	13020600 (1 credit)	PREQ: Biology and a second science credit	10-12
Pathophysiology	13020800 (1 credit)	PREQ: Biology and Chemistry	11-12

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE HEALTH SCIENCE CAREER CLUSTER, PLEASE CONTACT:

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