# Patient Care Technician Apprenticeship



Looking for not just a job, but a career? Take a closer look at becoming a

# Patient Care Technician

If you are a Californian resident with a disability looking to get into the workforce, now is the time to start a rewarding career as an apprentice Patient Care Technician!

The Ready, Willing and Able initiative is currently recruiting for high-quality positions as apprentice Patient Care

Technicians in the Los Angeles area.

Under the supervision of a nurse a
Patient Care Technician will perform tasks like taking vital signs, drawing blood, assisting with personal hygiene and meals, and documenting patients' conditions. They serve as a crucial link between patients and nurses, enhancing

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the quality of care.

Through combining paid employment with on-the-job training and formal technical instruction, as an apprentice Patient Care Technician you will:

- Earn while you learn
- Develop practical skills and experience in a real world setting
- Study towards a nationally recognized qualification
- Work and learn alongside industry professionals

### **Pre-Requisites:**

- High School Diploma or GED equivalent
- 16 years or older
- · Ability to read, write, and speak English
- Possessing a current governmentissued ID and valid social security card
- Medical clearance

#### Diploma certified in just 11 months

 Be trained to become a Patient Care Technician with the necessary knowledge, clinical skills, and professionalism expected by employers.

Did you know that upon qualification Nurse Assistants enjoy a median starting salary of \$39,021? \*

 $\underline{\text{https://www.salary.com/research/salary/listing/patient-care-technician-salary}}$ 



**To apply now** please email **recruitment@readywillingable.us**For more information phone **Alexandra Mendoza** on **949** 685 9020









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America which seeks to aide Californians with disabilities to access exciting full-time career opportunities.

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### What You Need to Know

A Patient Care Technician (PCT) is typically one of the most involved members of the healthcare team when it comes to direct patient care. They often spend the most time with patients, offering personal care and emotional support in addition to their medical duties.

On any given day, a PCT may begin their shift by reviewing updates and care plans for each of their assigned patients. They communicate closely with nurses and other healthcare providers to understand each patient's specific needs and concerns. This might include understanding a patient's unique health conditions, their current level of mobility, any necessary dietary restrictions, and any specific personal needs.

Patient Care Technicians also provide direct personal care. This can involve helping patients with daily activities such as bathing, dressing, grooming, eating, and using the restroom. For patients with mobility issues, PCTs assist with transfers to and from beds, wheelchairs, or walking aids.

At the end of their shift, PCTs ensure that they accurately document all patient interactions and observations in the patient's medical record. They then pass this information on to the next shift, ensuring a seamless transition in care. In short, a Patient Care Technician provides vital support to patients and the healthcare team, contributing significantly to the overall quality of care in a healthcare setting.

## What Do You Need To Succeed In This Role?

### This job will suit individuals who possess:

- **Empathy:** The ability to understand and connect with patients' experiences, fostering a compassionate and supportive environment.
- Adaptability: Being able to adjust to varied job tasks or unexpected situations in the dynamic healthcare setting is
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- Communication Skills: Strong verbal, non-verbal, and written communication skills are essential for understanding patient needs, conveying information, and effectively collaborating with the healthcare team.
- Organizational Skills: Effective organizational abilities for managing patient records, adhering to schedules, and keeping track of tasks, regardless of physical abilities.
- Attention to Detail: Accuracy in monitoring patient conditions, documenting observations, and following care instructions is crucial, even if adaptations for certain tasks are needed.
- **Problem-Solving Skills:** The ability to think critically and solve problems as they arise, whether they involve patient care or coordinating with the healthcare team, is an invaluable attribute in this role. This includes applicants who employ unique problem-solving techniques due to their diverse abilities.





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