

# CAREER PATHWAYS

## HEALTH SCIENCE CAREERS

Health science is an area of study that focuses on natural and behavioral sciences, as they relate to medicine and our greater healthcare system. The health science career cluster is used to describe a group of occupations that require similar skills within the health science field. It also refers to an educational area focused on teaching students how to be healthcare professionals. The health science career cluster was once known as vocational education, which is still used in some educational programs.



### BIOTECH RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

- Biologists and Biostatisticians
- Epidemiologists
- Pharmacologists
- Research Assistants
- Nuclear Medicine Providers
- Technical Writers for Health Journals or Magazines



### DIAGNOSTIC SERVICES

- Phlebotomists
- Radiologists & Radiology Technicians
- Pathologist
- Histology Technicians
- Physician Assistants
- Diagnostic Medical Sonographers
- Dental Laboratory Technician



### HEALTH INFORMATICS

- Medical Record Technicians
- Medical Assistants
- Software System Developers
- IT Project Manager
- Schedulers
- Coders
- Transcribers



### HEALTH SUPPORT SERVICES

- Pharmacy Aides
- Health Educators
- Dietetic Technicians
- Maintenance or Electrical Engineers
- Cooks and Servers
- Patient Representatives
- Community Health Workers
- Environmental Service Aide



### THERAPEUTIC SERVICES

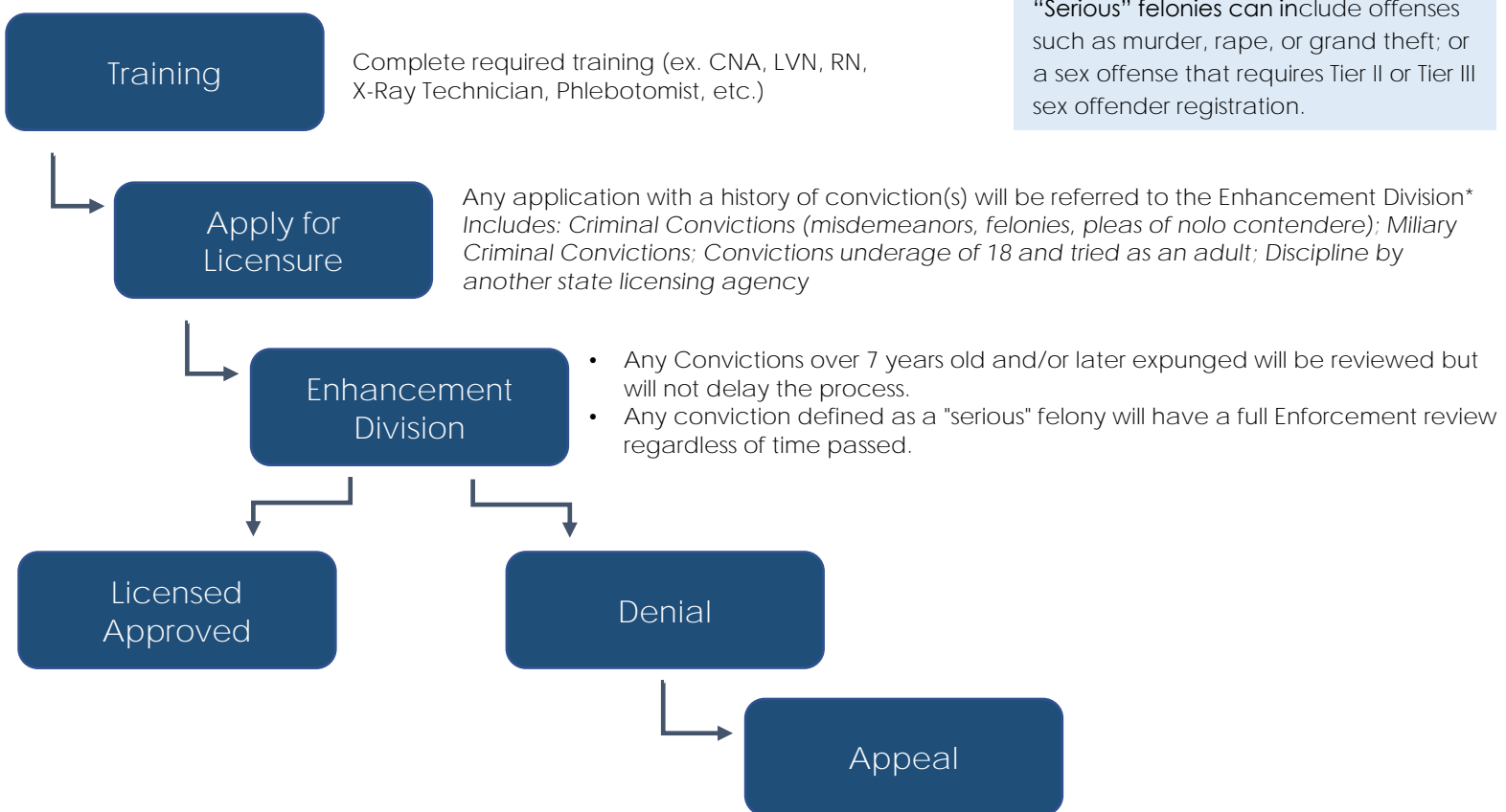
- Nurses
- Physical Therapists
- Speech Language Pathologists
- Surgical Technicians
- Athletic Trainers
- Home Health Aides
- Audiologists
- Anesthesiologists

# OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING

## CALIFORNIA STATE LICENSURE PROCESS WITH A CONVICTION HISTORY

According to the *US Bureau of Labor Statistics*, positions within the healthcare field are projected to grow 16% from 2020 to 2030. Furthermore, occupations within the healthcare field are projected to contribute to this growth more so than any of the other occupational groups. While this is good news for many, this poses issues in particular for those with prior convictions given the stigma surrounding the hiring of formerly incarcerated individuals. However, thanks to new and changing laws in this area, achieving occupational licensure after incarceration is possible.

### LICENSURE APPLICATION PROCESS



\* Including certified arrest records and certified court documents, letters of reference and prior performance evaluations (from healthcare) with your application may speed up the process.

\*\* You do not need to report non-payment of child support. However, if the case is with the District Attorney for non-payment, your license will be issued on a temporary basis for 150 days upon which you need to arrange payments.

\*\*\* If denied licensure, provide any missing information the board may be missing (e.g., 1203.4 dismissals are excluded from fingerprint background checks. You can provide this for accuracy).

\*\*\*\* If the background is correct, you have the right to appeal by going to a hearing before an Administrative Law Judge (directions included in denial letter).