CAREER PATHWAYS

THERAPEUTIC SERVICES

The therapeutic services pathway is the most popular health science career pathway. It is focused on working with patients to provide care, treatment, or counseling to improve the patient's status over time. To work in therapeutic services, it is crucial to have great communication skills, be a quick thinker and effective problem-solver to effectively work with patients, their relatives, and other healthcare professionals.

Consider careers in Therapeutic Services if you would like to:

- Focus on preventing illness, disease, or injury
- Work with people of all ages
- Help patients hear, see, or speak better
- Assist with surgeries and maintain sterile environments
- Help patients regain their mobility and independence

Depending on the career chosen within this pathway, students will also need to obtain a certification, registration, or licensure. These vary by occupation and can either be at the state or national level.

POTENTIAL CAREERS

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

POTENTIAL EARNINGS



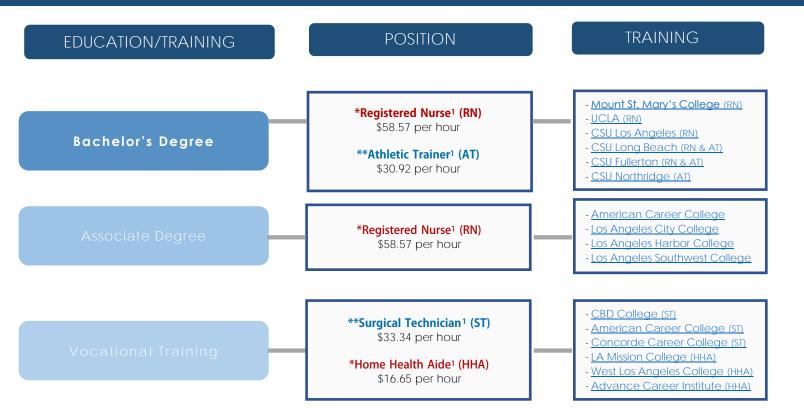
High School Diploma/GED¹: \$16.65/hour; \$34,637/year



Advanced Degree w/Specialization¹: \$135.41/hour; \$281,668/year



EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS



*Requires CA State Licensure **Does Not Require CA Licensure

EDUCATION & TRAINING PARTNERS

Vocational Training & Associate Degree Programs

- West Los Angeles College
 - o Requirements: Create LACCD profile and complete application. No written or oral test required.
 - o <u>\$0 Tuition Promise Program</u>
- LA Mission College
 - o Requirements: 18+, must have COVID vaccination. Create <u>CCC account</u> to submit application.
 - o \$46 per unit. Also offer the CA College Promise Gran and FAFSA
- American Career College
 - o Requirements: Meet an Advisor, Submit application, entrance exam
 - Financial Aid available
- Concorde Career College
 - o Requirements: 17 years old to start, 18 at time of first clinical or externship. Must have Diploma/GED
 - o Financial Aid available

POTENTIAL EMPLOYERS

Home Health Aide (HHA) / Clinical Nursing Assistant (CNA)

Antelope Valley Medical Center
 Bartz-Altadonna
 APLA Health
 City of Hope
 Antelope Valley Care Center

Surgical Technician (ST)

Kaiser
 iSCORE
 UCLA Health

Registered Nurse (RN)

- Maxim Healthcare
 LA Care
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 Antelope Valley Care Center
- Antelope Valley Medical Center
 UCLA Health





Salary source: 1) Occupational Employment & Wage Statistics; https://www.bls.gov/oes/