

Pharmacy Technician (2026)

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Understand the Pharmacy Technician certification examination structure, the time allowed for the exam, and broad topic content. 2

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Detail the requirements and process needed to maintain certification. 3

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Understand federal laws that affect the pharmacy industry. 4

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Discuss different laws and legislation that affect the pharmacy industry, including when they were enacted and their importance. 5

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Discuss the importance of the Controlled Substance Act of 1970. 6

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Outline filing procedures and maintain records according to state and federal laws, and drug substitution requirements. 7

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Illustrate how a Doctor's DEA (Drug Enforcement Administration) Number is determined and its purpose. 8

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Discuss storage requirements for Schedule II drugs. 9

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Define the four phases of investigational drugs. 10

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Define pharmacology, including the varied types of drugs, prescription types, medication dosage forms, and medical devices. 11

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List drug interactions on the human body's major systems. 12

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Review the different types of medication dosages (tablets, caplets, liquids, creams, emulsions). 13

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Describe the different types of administration devices for certain medications and dosages. 14

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Review drugs that affect the central nervous system, peripheral nervous system, cardiovascular system, and renal system to include drug interactions, mechanism of action,

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Review drugs classified
as hormones, including
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and manufacturer-
named drugs. 16

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Review drugs classified
as anti-infectant drugs,
including drug
interactions,
mechanism of action,
and manufacturer-
named drugs. 17

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Review drugs classified
as chemotherapy drugs,
including drug
interactions,
mechanism of action,
and manufacturer-
named drugs. 18

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mechanism of action, and manufacturer-named drugs. 18

Review blood and blood
formation drugs,
including drug
interactions,
mechanism of action,
and manufacturer-
named drugs. 19

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Review vitamins,
including drug
interactions,
mechanism of action,
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named drugs. 20

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Practice and
demonstrate aseptic
techniques. 21

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Demonstrate the proper
use of various types of
syringes. 22

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Define the uses of parenteral routes. 23	23 Define the uses of parenteral routes. 23
Identify the four most widely used parenteral routes. 24	24 Identify the four most widely used parenteral routes. 24
Review sterile compounding procedures. 25	25 Review sterile compounding procedures. 25
Review the uses of various solutions used in the pharmacy including irrigation solutions, parenteral solutions, and TPN (Total Parenteral Nutrition). 26	26 Review the uses of various solutions used in the pharmacy including irrigation solutions, parenteral solutions, and TPN (Total Parenteral Nutrition). 26
Examine the safe handling of antineoplastic agents used in the treatment of cancer. 27	27 Examine the safe handling of antineoplastic agents used in the treatment of cancer. 27
List the steps of a parenteral admixture order. 28	28 List the steps of a parenteral admixture order. 28
Calculate dosages through the aspects of pharmacy mathematics. 29	29 Calculate dosages through the aspects of pharmacy mathematics. 29
Convert units of measurement for the metric, avoirdupois, and apothecary systems. 30	30 Convert units of measurement for the metric, avoirdupois, and apothecary systems. 30
Interpret abbreviations and Roman numerals used in prescriptions. 31	31 Interpret abbreviations and Roman numerals used in prescriptions. 31
Practice the basics of fractions, decimals, and	32 Practice the basics of fractions, decimals, and percent as used in pharmacology. 32

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Convert Fahrenheit to
Centigrade
temperatures. 33

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Utilize ratio proportion
relationships for
chemical mixtures used
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Calculate the amount of
drug product to
dispense or the number
of days' supply from a
dosage regimen. 35

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Determine the flow rate
of an IV solution. 36

36 Determine the flow rate of an IV solution. 36

Calculate powder
volume. 37

37 Calculate powder volume. 37

Review the various
pricing methods used in
retail pharmacy. 38

38 Review the various pricing methods used in retail pharmacy. 38

Manage inventory
controls of the
pharmacy business with
an overview of
insurance claims and
“third-party”
reimbursement. 39

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patient profile. 40

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Detail what should be
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Define key terms used in
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Use information technology applications as appropriate to health care specialties. 44

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Integrate literacy and numeracy concepts and processes across all curricular units. 45

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Demonstrate employability and social skills relevant to health careers. 46
