

**Highest Paying Medical Occupations that Require Less than a Bachelor's**  
Rural Capital Area



SOC	SOC Title	'14 Employment	'14-'19 % Growth	'13 Avg. Hourly Wage	'14-'19 Net New Jobs	'14-'19 Total Job Openings	Education Required	Sector
29-2021	Dental Hygienists	317	28%	\$38.00	58	89	Associate's Degree	MED
29-2033	Nuclear Medicine Technologists	15	20%	\$31.46	3	3	Associate's Degree	MED
31-2021	Physical Therapist Assistants	143	23%	\$30.20	23	33	Associate's Degree	MED
31-2011	Occupational Therapy Assistants	103	20%	\$30.09	14	21	Associate's Degree	MED
29-2035	Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technologists	28	32%	\$27.94	4	9	Associate's Degree	MED
29-1124	Radiation Therapists	11	18%	\$27.89	2	2	Associate's Degree	MED
29-2032	Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	59	29%	\$27.30	12	17	Associate's Degree	MED
29-1141	Registered Nurses	2,722	24%	\$27.07	420	664	Associate's Degree	MED
29-1126	Respiratory Therapists	156	25%	\$26.32	24	39	Associate's Degree	MED
29-2031	Cardiovascular Technologists and Technicians	45	31%	\$25.97	9	14	Associate's Degree	MED
29-2054	Respiratory Therapy Technicians	27	7%	\$25.82	2	2	Associate's Degree	MED
29-2034	Radiologic Technologists	172	30%	\$22.47	30	51	Associate's Degree	MED
51-9082	Medical Appliance Technicians	32	25%	\$20.90	3	8	Some College Courses	MED
29-2061	Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses	1,248	24%	\$19.62	139	302	Post-Secondary Certificat	MED
29-2055	Surgical Technologists	135	19%	\$18.76	15	25	Associate's Degree	MED
29-2099	Health Technologists and Technicians, All Other	52	29%	\$18.62	10	15	Associate's Degree	MED
31-9011	Massage Therapists	242	24%	\$18.04	37	57	Post-Secondary Certificat	MED
31-9094	Medical Transcriptionists	47	23%	\$17.61	6	11	Post-Secondary Certificat	MED
31-9091	Dental Assistants	702	23%	\$17.53	91	163	Post-Secondary Certificat	MED
29-2012	Medical and Clinical Laboratory Technicians	138	22%	\$15.62	15	30	Associate's Degree	MED
51-9083	Ophthalmic Laboratory Technicians	66	29%	\$14.81	9	19	High School Diploma	MED
29-2057	Ophthalmic Medical Technicians	140	21%	\$14.55	14	29	High School Diploma	MED
29-2071	Medical Records and Health Information Technicians	269	22%	\$13.79	34	60	High School Diploma	MED
43-6013	Medical Secretaries	1,509	22%	\$13.66	238	334	Some College Courses	MED
31-9097	Phlebotomists	67	31%	\$13.60	11	21	Post-Secondary Certificat	MED
29-2052	Pharmacy Technicians	738	24%	\$13.42	113	176	High School Diploma	MED
29-2051	Dietetic Technicians	27	19%	\$13.41	4	5	High School Diploma	MED
31-9093	Medical Equipment Preparers	60	18%	\$13.26	6	11	High School Diploma	MED
29-2041	Emergency Medical Technicians and Paramedics	395	24%	\$13.01	56	94	Post-Secondary Certificat	MED
31-9092	Medical Assistants	1,026	22%	\$12.40	145	221	Post-Secondary Certificat	MED
29-2056	Veterinary Technologists and Technicians	436	22%	\$11.69	63	98	Associate's Degree	MED
51-9081	Dental Laboratory Technicians	42	17%	\$11.47	2	7	High School Diploma	MED
31-9095	Pharmacy Aides	112	21%	\$10.93	14	24	High School Diploma	MED
29-2081	Opticians, Dispensing	181	23%	\$10.33	23	41	High School Diploma	MED
31-1014	Nursing Assistants	1,663	25%	\$9.87	222	422	High School Diploma	MED
31-1011	Home Health Aides	451	39%	\$9.61	149	177	High School Diploma	MED
31-2022	Physical Therapist Aides	128	20%	\$9.43	16	26	High School Diploma	MED
39-9021	Personal Care Aides	1,691	21%	\$8.76	299	359	High School Diploma	MED
31-9096	Veterinary Assistants and Laboratory Animal Care	210	12%	\$8.70	10	25	High School Diploma	MED
31-1013	Psychiatric Aides	358	15%	\$8.69	28	52	High School Diploma	MED
31-2012	Occupational Therapy Aides	5	40%	\$0.00	2	2	Associate's Degree	MED

Source: Workforce Solutions Rural Capital Area using data from EMSI.