



PHARMACY TECHNICIAN

RESOURCE CATEGORY	Medical and Public Health
RESOURCE KIND	Personnel
OVERALL FUNCTION	The Pharmacy Technician prepares medications under the supervision of a licensed pharmacist
COMPOSITION AND ORDERING SPECIFICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This position can be ordered as a single resource or in conjunction with a NIMS typed team (Pharmacy Team). 2. Discuss logistics for deploying this position, such as working conditions, length of deployment, security, lodging, transportation, and meals, prior to deployment 3. This position will deploy only if paired with a licensed Pharmacist

Each type of resource builds on the qualifications of the type below it. For example, Type 1 qualifications include the qualifications in Type 2, plus an increase in capability. Type 1 is the highest qualification level.

COMPONENT	SINGLE TYPE	NOTES
DESCRIPTION	<p>The Pharmacy Technician prepares medication orders under the direct supervision of a licensed Pharmacist and:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Retrieves prescription orders 2. Counts, pours, measures, and weighs tablets and medications 3. Mixes medications, if necessary 4. Selects the proper prescription container 5. Creates prescription labels 6. Manages pharmaceutical waste 	Not Specified
EDUCATION	High school diploma or equivalent	Not Specified
TRAINING	<p>Completion of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. IS-100: Introduction to the Incident Command System, ICS-100 2. IS-200: Basic Incident Command System for Initial Response, ICS-200 3. IS-700: National Incident Management System, An Introduction 4. IS-800: National Response Framework, An Introduction 5. Training in accordance with Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness 	Not Specified
EXPERIENCE	Two years of experience as a pharmacy technician in a practice setting such as a hospital, health system, agency, or retail pharmacy, or service commensurate with the mission assignment	Not Specified
PHYSICAL/MEDICAL FITNESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Moderate 2. Is able to work wearing appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) 3. Maintains immunizations in accordance with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) immunization recommendations 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS) defines Physical/Medical Fitness levels for NIMS positions. 2. PPE is mission specific and may vary by work environment; it includes protective footwear, protective clothing for skin exposure, eye and ear protection, respirators, gloves, and masks.



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CURRENCY	1. Currently practices in a healthcare setting, such as a hospital, health system, or agency, or service commensurate with the mission assignment 2. Keeps immunizations up to date and commensurate with mission assignment 3. Background checks as applicable law permits or requires	Provider must carry out and use any background checks as applicable law specifies. This may include a background check completed within past 12 months; a sex-offender registry check; and a local, state, and national driving and criminal history.
PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS	State, District of Columbia, or U.S. tribal or territory-granted active status of legal authority to function as a Pharmacy Technician without restrictions OR certification from an appropriate certification organization, as applicable	Not Specified



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NOTES

Nationally typed resources represent the minimum criteria for the associated component and capability.

REFERENCES

1. FEMA, NIMS 508: Pharmacy Team
2. FEMA, NIMS 509: Pharmacist
3. FEMA, National Incident Management System (NIMS), October 2017
4. FEMA, NIMS Guideline for the National Qualification System (NQS), November 2017
5. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) 29 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 1910.120: Hazardous Materials Awareness, latest edition adopted
6. OSHA 29 CFR Part 1910.1030: Bloodborne Pathogens, latest edition adopted
7. U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Immunization Recommendations for Disaster Responders