Pharmacist

A health-care professional licensed to engage in pharmacy with duties including dispensing prescription drugs, monitoring drug interactions, administering vaccines, and counseling patients regarding the effects and proper usage of drugs and dietary supplements.

Pharmacist Intern

A person registered for the purpose of gaining the supervised practical experience required for licensure as a registered pharmacist.

The pharmacy internship program exists to provide a registered intern with the knowledge and practical experience necessary for functioning competently and effectively upon licensure.

Authorization to Administer Injectables

Pharmacists can apply for the authorization to administer injectable medications, biologicals and immunizations.
THE STATE BOARD OF PHARMACY

Pharmacist

Degree Requirement

Examination Requirement

Degrees:
- Doctorate

States with 2 required examinations
- States with 3 required examinations
**Pharmacist**

**Training / Experience Requirement**

- **1038 - 1440 hours**
- **1500 hours**
- **1600 - 1700 hours**
- **1740 - 2080 hours**

**Continuing Education Requirement**

- **24 CE hours/2 yrs**
- **30 CE hours/2 yrs**
- **40 CE hours/2 yrs**

*To allow for comparison, CE requirements have been adjusted to 2-year reporting cycles.*
Initial Licensing Fee

- **LOWEST:** $35.00 (South Dakota)
- **MEDIAN:** $200.00
- **HIGHEST:** $955.00 (Connecticut)

*To allow for comparisons, all fees have been adjusted to biennial renewal cycles.

Renewal Fees

- **LOWEST:** $52.00 (New York)
- **MEDIAN:** $188.00
- **HIGHEST:** $560.00 (Rhode Island)

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## Pharmacist

### States with Reciprocity or Endorsement

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**Act 41, signed by Governor Wolf on July 2, 2019, allows for portability of out-of-state professional licensees coming to work in Pennsylvania. Act 41 does this by granting all boards and commissions within the Commonwealth the authority to immediately endorse licensee from other states, territories or jurisdictions (with substantially equivalent licensing requirements) who are active, in good standing and without discipline against their license or criminal conviction. If a licensee comes from a jurisdiction that does not have substantially equal requirements for licensure, then the boards/commissions may grant a provisional license for a period of such time to allow the new resident to meet the necessary requirements, allowing them access to gainful employment in the interim.**
Pharmacist Intern

Education Requirement

Education:
- Must be enrolled in an accredited pharmacy program

State does not license this occupation

Good Moral Character Requirement

State has Good Moral Character Requirement for Licensure:
- Yes
- No
- States that do not license this occupation
Pharmacist Intern

Experience Requirement for Licensure

States with Reciprocity or Endorsement

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Pharmacist Intern

Initial Licensing Fee

- HIGHEST: $165.00 (California)
- MEDIAN: $50.00
- LOWEST: $10.00 (HI, LA, SD)

*Initial licensing fee comparison excludes examination fees, background check fees, and fingerprint fees.

Renewal Fees

- HIGHEST: $80.00 (Missouri)
- MEDIAN: $45.00
- LOWEST: $10.00 IN & ND

*In PA, Pharmacy intern registrations are valid for 6 years and cannot be renewed.
**To allow for comparisons, all fees have been adjusted to biennial renewal cycles.
# Pharmacist Intern

## Level of Licensure by State

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Degree Requirement

States that do not require this authorization

Degrees:
- Doctorate
- States that do not require this authorization

Training/Experience Requirement

- Must complete a Board approved Immunization Training program and provide proof of CPR certification
- States that do not require this authorization
Authorization to Administer Injectables

Continuing Education Requirement

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States that do not require this authorization: Nevada, New York, North Dakota, Pennsylvania, Texas.
Authorization to Administer Injectables

Initial Licensing Fee

- **PA**: $30.00
- **U.S. Avg.**: $36.11

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Renewal Fees

- **PA**: $30.00
- **U.S. Avg.**: $21.00

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Sources: State Licensing Boards

- Alabama: http://www.albop.com/
- Alaska: https://www.commerce.alaska.gov/web/cbpl/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardofPharmacy.aspx
- Arizona: https://pharmacy.az.gov/
- Arkansas: http://www.pharmacyboard.arkansas.gov/
- California: http://www.pharmacy.ca.gov/
- Colorado: https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/dora/Pharmacy
- Connecticut: https://www.cga.ct.gov/current/pub/chap_400j.htm#Sec20-600.htm
- Delaware: https://dpr.delaware.gov/boards/pharmacy/
- Florida: http://floridaspharmacy.gov/
- Georgia: https://gbp.georgia.gov/
- Idaho: https://bop.idaho.gov/
- Indiana: https://www.in.gov/pla/3240.htm
- Iowa: https://pharmacy.iowa.gov/
- Kansas: https://pharmacy.ks.gov/
- Kentucky: https://pharmacy.ky.gov/Pages/default.aspx
- Louisiana: http://www.pharmacy.la.gov/
- Maryland: https://health.maryland.gov/pharmacy/Pages/index.aspx
- Massachusetts: https://www.mass.gov/orgs/board-of-registration-in-pharmacy
- Michigan: http://www.michigan.gov/lara/0,4601,7-154-72600_72603_27529_27548---,00.html
- Minnesota: https://mn.gov/boards/pharmacy/
- Mississippi: http://www.mbp.ms.gov/Pages/default.aspx
- Missouri: http://pr.mo.gov/pharmacists.asp
- Montana: http://boardsbsd.dli.mt.gov/pha
- Nebraska: http://dhhs.ne.gov/licensure/Pages/Pharmacist.aspx
- New Hampshire: https://www.oplc.nh.gov/pharmacy/
- New Jersey: http://www.njconsumeraffairs.gov/phar
- New Mexico: http://www.rld.state.nm.us/boards/Pharmacy.aspx
- New York: http://www.op.nysed.gov/prof/pharm/
- North Carolina: http://www.ncbop.org/
- North Dakota: https://www.nodakpharmacy.com/
- Ohio: https://pharmacy.ohio.gov/Licensing/Pharmacist.aspx
- Oklahoma: https://www.ok.gov/pharmacy/
- Pennsylvania: http://www.dos.pa.gov/ProfessionalLicensing/BoardsCommissions/Pharmacy/Pages/default.aspx
- Rhode Island: http://health.ri.gov/licenses/detail.php?id=275/
- South Carolina: http://www.llr.state.sc.us/POL/Pharmacy/
- South Dakota: http://doh.sd.gov/boards/pharmacy/
- Tennessee: https://www.tn.gov/health/health-program-areas/health-professional-boards/pharmacy-board.html
- Texas: https://www.pharmacy.texas.gov/index.aspx
- Utah: https://dopl.utah.gov/licensing/pharmacy.html
- Vermont: https://www.sec.state.vt.us/professional-regulation/list-of-professions/pharmacy.aspx
- Virginia: https://www.dhp.virginia.gov/Pharmacy/
- Washington: https://www.doh.wa.gov/LicensesPermitsandCertificates/ProfessionsNewReneworUpdate/Pharmacist
- West Virginia: http://www.wvbop.com/
- Wisconsin: https://dsps.wi.gov/Pages/Professions/Pharmacist/Default.aspx
- Wyoming: http://pharmacyboard.wyo.gov/