

A guide to health professions
on Prince Edward Island

High School
Student Edition

HEALTH CAREERS GUIDE

explore
over 50
career
options



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Please use this information as a guide only; the post-secondary institutions are not all encompassing and may change. Salary figures are based on 2023 estimates. Please do your own research, using credible sources (e.g., professional associations, accredited educational institutions, speaking with a professional in the health system), to help determine areas you wish to explore further. Consider conducting informational interviews, job shadowing and volunteer experiences, or further research to gain a comprehensive understanding of the specific professions and opportunities within the healthcare field.



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Did you know?
Health PEI is a large employer with over 4,000 employees across the province

Experience the satisfaction of a helping profession

The Health Career Guide provides key information on over 50 health career opportunities in Prince Edward Island. While the Guide focuses on careers with Health PEI, there is also information on many other rewarding career opportunities in the private and not-for-profit sectors. This document is meant to be a guide only and is not exhaustive. There are many other careers in the health field that are not listed, such as chefs, cooks, service workers, IT support, finance specialists and clerical/administrative roles, to name a few.

As a student, you may find this information valuable, as you determine your career path. There are many satisfying careers in the PEI health system and we encourage you to consider each of them as you explore the range of exciting opportunities available in Prince Edward Island.

Why Healthcare?

Make a Difference in Your Community

As a healthcare professional, your work impacts the well-being and lives of individuals in your community. You will have the chance to offer critical services that enhance our healthcare system's operations, fostering a healthier and more resilient Prince Edward Island.

Diverse Career Options

In this guidebook, you will find over 50 different healthcare career options, each with its own unique responsibilities and rewards. This diversity allows you to find a role that best matches your interests, skills, and education.

Varied Education Requirements

Contrary to popular belief, you don't need extensive schooling and post-grad education to pursue a rewarding career in healthcare. Some roles require as little as 2 years of college and training.

Dynamic + Diverse = In Demand

The healthcare field is experiencing rapid growth, particularly with the expanding population of Prince Edward Island. Now more than ever, we require committed professionals to cater to the island's changing healthcare needs.

Terms to Know

ACUTE CARE: Healthcare where a patient receives active but short-term treatment for an injury, urgent medical condition, or during recovery. Acute care services are generally delivered by teams of health care professionals from a range of medical and surgical specialties. Acute care may require a stay in a hospital emergency department, ambulatory surgery center, urgent care center or other short-term stay facility, along with the assistance of diagnostic services, surgery, or follow-up outpatient care in the community. Acute care focuses on stabilizing patients and addressing their urgent medical needs in hospitals, emergency departments, urgent care centers, and other healthcare settings equipped to handle acute medical situations.

LONG TERM CARE: Specialized nursing and personal care services provided to individuals who can no longer live on their own, with family or home care support. These services are provided while respecting each resident's dignity and personal choices. This usually involves working with the aged population. Services are provided in both public and private long-term care nursing homes and include: 24-hour nursing care, room and board, personal care, and medical services.

OUTPATIENT CARE: Medical treatments/services that do not require patients to stay overnight in a hospital or healthcare facility. This type of care is typically for diagnosis, treatment, consultation, and follow-up services. It is designed for patients who can manage their conditions at home with periodic visits to a healthcare provider.

PRIMARY CARE: Primary care is the first point of contact in the healthcare system for individuals seeking medical attention. This involves basic health services provided by doctors, nurses, or physician assistants who help individuals with general health issues and routine check-ups. It also involves a broad range of health services aimed at preventing, diagnosing, and treating common illnesses and conditions. Primary care providers offer comprehensive, accessible, and continuous care for individuals of all ages. They coordinate patient care, manage chronic diseases, and refer patients to specialist physicians when necessary.

NOC: National Occupational Classification. You can search the NOC code listed to find where an occupation is classified and to learn about its main responsibilities, the education requirements, the average salary across the country, and the job outlook.

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Job Outlook: The job outlook of a position indicates the level of growth anticipated for that profession. A good job outlook means that the field is expected to expand, leading to increased demand for professionals (and by extension, better job security).

The scale below is used to identify the job outlook for each of the careers in this guide.

◆◆◆◆ Very good ◆◆◆ Good ◆◆ Moderate
◆◆ Limited ◆ Very limited



Addiction Counselor

NOC CODE 41301

Addiction Workers are part of the multi-disciplinary team providing in and out-patient support and services across the province.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$20.00 - \$52.82/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Social service agencies, Group homes, Government agencies, Private rehab facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Successful completion of a Resident Care Worker, Licensed Practical Nurse, Human Services, Addiction Worker Program or equivalent post-secondary training/education is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: University of Prince Edward Island, PE, St. Thomas University, NB, Dalhousie University, NS, Memorial University, NL.

Addiction Worker

NOC CODE 42201

Those who struggle with substance abuse and addiction require the skills of qualified Addiction Counsellors. An Addiction Counselor works with individuals experiencing problematic substance use and addiction and their family members who are negatively impacted by addiction.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$17.33 - \$32.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$26.68 – \$27.81/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Mental health and addiction centers, Group homes, Social service agencies.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Successful completion of a Resident Care Worker or Licensed Practical Nurse Program or equivalent post-secondary training/education is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Holland College, PE , NBCC, NB , College of the North Atlantic, NL , Université Sainte-Anne, NS, Marguerite Connolly Training and Consulting, PE, NSCC, NS , Oulton College, NB , Eastern College, NB & NS.

Audiologist

NOC CODE 31112

Audiologists are hearing health professionals who identify, diagnose and manage individuals with hearing loss. Audiologists are skilled in the use of technology to support such individuals. As highly skilled professionals, audiologists are qualified to assess, diagnose and treat a broad range of hearing problems in infants, children and adults.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$36.47 - 51.79 /hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Private audiology clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Audiologists require a Master of Audiology that includes a clinical placement. Many programs require volunteer and/or observation of Audiology services prior to application.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS, University of British Columbia, BC, University of Ottawa, ON (French), University of Western Ontario, ON, Université de Montréal, QC.

Biomedical Engineering Technologist

NOC CODE 22310

Biomedical Engineering Technologists inspect, test, maintain, and perform repairs on biomedical equipment in Health PEI facilities. These experts have a love for technology and are able to innovate and improve medical systems and devices effectively.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.40 - \$27.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$33.32 - \$41.22/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Research laboratories, Medical equipment manufacturer sales.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Diploma in Electronics Engineering Technology (Biomedical) from an accredited post-secondary institution. Certification from the Association of Certified Engineering Technicians and Technologists of Prince Edward Island is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: College of the North Atlantic, NL, Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, AB, British Columbia Institute of Technology, BC.



Cardiology Technologist

NOC CODE 32123

Cardiology technologists perform cardiac testing, ambulatory monitoring, and evaluating the human heart and its function. These tests provide physicians with the information they need to effectively diagnose and treat heart disease.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$22.00 - \$43.00/hr,
Health PEI – \$31.57 - \$35.66/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Laboratories, Clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Completion of a 1 year diploma program; registration with the Canadian Society of Cardiology Technologists (CSCT).

Educational Institutes Offering

a Program: Canadian Society of Cardiology approved programs include: Anderson College, ON, British Columbia Institute of Technology, BC (distance program), Community College of New Brunswick, NB, Mohawk College, ON, St. Clair College, ON, Stenberg College, BC (distance program).

Certified Prosthetist/Orthotist

NOC CODE 32129

Certified Orthotists design and fit many types of orthotic devices (braces) used to support or correct the function of a limb or torso. When these body parts are too damaged to be repaired, Certified Prosthetists construct and fit prosthetic devices (artificial limbs) to replace missing or damaged limbs.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.25 - \$30.00/hr,
Health PEI – \$34.88 - \$42.77/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Rehabilitation Centers, Private Facilities
Minimum Academic Requirements: A 2 year post graduate college program and a 22-month internship.

Educational Institutes Offering

a Program: Prosthetic & Orthotic Educational Programs | George Brown College, British Columbia Institute of Technology, BC Chiropractor.



Chiropractors

Chiropractors provide a range of services from assessment, diagnosis, treatment, prevention and education and specialize in treating biomechanical disorders originating from the muscular, skeletal and nervous systems. Chiropractors work exclusively in private practice.

For more information, visit www.peichiropractic.ca



Clinical Chemist

NOC CODE 21101

Clinical Chemists are PhD level scientists with specialized training in laboratory medicine. They lead Health PEI's provincial clinical biochemistry program ensuring consistent high quality, accurate and precise biochemical test results are provided to support quality patient care. They provide expert technical and scientific advice for laboratory staff across the province and are responsible for ensuring that testing procedures comply with clinical and professional standards.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$19.00 - \$74.52/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Medical laboratories.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

PhD and post-doctoral training in laboratory medicine with certification from the Canadian Academy of Clinical Biochemists is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: University of Toronto, ON, McMaster University, ON, University of Calgary, AB, University of Alberta, AB, University of Manitoba, MB.

Combined Technician

NOC CODE 32120

Combined laboratory and x-ray technicians conduct routine medical laboratory tests, perform general radiography, and electrocardiograms, and operate and maintain related equipment. Combined technicians are also responsible for maintaining and calibrating lab and imaging equipment, verifying results, and recording data.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$32.00 - \$40.04/hr,

Health PEI – \$30.80 - \$37.76/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Diagnostic imaging centers, Outpatient clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Post-secondary studies in a 2-year Laboratory and X-ray certificate program are required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, AB, Saskatchewan Polytechnic, SK, University of Prince Edward Island, PE (Radiography program can be combined with lab tech program).

Dental Assistant

NOC CODE 33100

The dental assistant's role is to assist the dentist at the chair side. Dental Assistants provide clinical functions that include (but are not limited to) providing information on preventing dental diseases, providing intra-oral care such as the application of fluoride to prevent tooth decay, taking radiographs, making dental impressions of the mouth and the sterilization of instruments in the dental office. Non-clinical functions of Dental Assistants include working at the front desk as receptionists, and in many practices, helping to manage the dental office.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$17.00 - \$25.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, Days.

Typical Work Locations: Dental offices, Private dental clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Dental Assistants must complete a college dental assistant program.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Holland College, PE, Oulton College, NB, Keyin College, NL, Nova Scotia Community College, NS, Dental Assistant Distance Program - CBBC Career College.

Dental Hygienist

NOC CODE 32111

Dental Hygienists are professional licensed members of the oral health care team who provide dental hygiene treatment and focus on prevention of diseases and disorders of the teeth and mouth. These include treatment of gum diseases, application of fluoride and/or dental sealants to prevent tooth decay, scaling, polishing and oral health education.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$26.00 - \$40.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$30.94 - \$48.28/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days.

Typical Work Locations: Dentist offices, Hospitals, Private clinics, Educational Institutions, Public health agencies.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Dental Hygienists must complete a diploma or university undergraduate degree in Dental Hygiene. A prerequisite for entering some of these programs is a minimum of 1 year of university study, with 3-credit university-level courses in Biology, Chemistry, and English.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS, Oulton College, NB.

Dentist

NOC CODE 31110

Dentists are healthcare professionals who specialize in diagnosing, preventing, and treating oral health issues. Dentists perform routine check-ups, clean teeth, fill cavities, extract teeth, and treat various dental diseases. They also educate patients on proper oral hygiene and may perform cosmetic procedures to improve the appearance of teeth.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Private sector

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$30,847 - \$228,000/yr,

Health PEI – \$60.19 - \$75.23/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days, on call emergency.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Private practices.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A 4-year Doctorate program in Dental Surgery. A bachelor's degree is required before acceptance into a dental program. Extraordinary students may be admitted to the program with 10 full-year academic classes at the undergraduate level.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS.

“ It's a great job as a mother,
good salary and flexible hours. ”
Dental Hygienist

Development Worker

NOC CODE 42201

Development Workers are trained to provide care to meet the needs of young adults with moderate to severe developmental and physical disabilities who live in a group setting. Working as part of a multidisciplinary team, Development Workers meet the physical, social and recreational needs of individual residents and liaise with families.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$17.33 - \$32.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Social service agencies, Shelters, Group homes, Government agencies, Substance abuse centres, Mental health agencies.

Minimum Academic Requirements: College Program in Human Services or Special Education.

Educational Institutes Offering

a Program: Holland College, PE , Collège de l'Île, PE, Oulton College, NB , Nova Scotia Community College, NS, Université Saint-Anne, NS, Island Career Academy, NS.



Electromyography (EEG) and Electroencephalogram (EMG) Tech

NOC CODE 32123

Electromyography & Electroencephalogram tech use their expertise to understand the electrical activity of the brain, muscles and nervous system, with electronic diagnostic equipment.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$22.00 - \$43.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$33.20 - \$40.72/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Clinics, Hospitals, Medical laboratories.

Minimum Academic

Requirements: College diploma in Electroneurophysiology. Certification is required in PEI, which can be obtained by successfully completing the Board of Registration of EMG Techs of Canada written and practical examinations or for an EEG successfully completing the Canadian Board of Registration of EEG Techs written and practical examinations.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: British Columbia Institute of Technology, BC (2 years), Collège Ahuntsic, QC.

Environmental Health Officer

NOC CODE 21120

Environmental Health Officers promote and protect the health and safety of the public by educating workers and the public on safe food handling techniques, conducting risk assessments, consultations, outbreak investigations and inspections in public and private services and facilities (restaurants, swimming pools etc.).

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$28.00 - \$52.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Government agencies, Health departments.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

4-year bachelor's degree in environmental/public health is required. A 2-year accelerated option if the candidate has a Bachelor's Degree in a related field. Successfully obtaining national certification by the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors is a requirement.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Cape Breton University, NS.



There is a lot of good support from specialists in the medical community here in PEI and there's scope to broaden my skills. I find this a hugely rewarding part of my job.



Family Physician

Family Physician

NOC CODE 31102

Family Physicians diagnose and treat diseases, physiological disorders and injuries. You'll assess people's symptoms, run tests to diagnose their conditions, prescribe medications or treatments, or refer people to specialists. Primary care begins in the office of the Family Physician.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$91,521 - 364,333 (per year).

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Private practices.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A bachelor's degree is recommended prior to applying to a medical program. After graduating from an approved medical school, 2 years of family medicine residency training is required. Completion of the qualifying examinations of the Medical Council of Canada and licensing by the provincial authority are required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS, Memorial University, NL, UPEI, PE.

Food Service Supervisor

NOC CODE 62020

Food Service Supervisors are responsible for the supervision of staff related to the preparation, serving and delivery of meals, as well as assisting with the implementation of diet orders and menu completion in accordance with the nutritional needs of the patient/client while ensuring that safe and sanitary work procedures are followed.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.40 - \$22.50/hr,

Health PEI – \$28.66 - \$34.17/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, Days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Health care establishments, Hospitals, Private care facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Food Services Supervisor Course from an accredited institution or a Bachelor of Science majoring in Foods and Nutrition.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program incl. Bachelor of Science in Food and Nutrition:

UPEI, PE, Université de Moncton, NB, Mount Saint Vincent University, NS, St. Francis Xavier University, NS, Acadia University, NS.

Health Information Management Professional

NOC CODE 12111

Health Information Management professionals, also known as coders, collect information from patient charts, such as diagnosis and interventions, and select the corresponding ICD-10 CA and CCI codes, validate data collected, in accordance with relevant legislation, regulations best practices.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$19.86 - \$41.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Government health agencies.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Completion of a recognized Health Information Program and certification by the Canadian Health Information Management Association (CHIM) is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

Nova Scotia Community College, NS. Numerous distance programs are offered online.

If you want to work in health care, but don't want to be around blood and you're detailed oriented and like to figure things out (like a detective), the HIM profession is for you!

Health Information Specialist

NOC CODE 12111

The primary role of a Health Information Specialist is to collect, analyze and report on health care data to support decision-making. Health Information Specialists work closely with key stakeholders to foster knowledge dissemination and to support managerial decisions with relevant information on a wide variety of health care priorities.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$19.86 - \$41.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A degree in health or social sciences, supplemented by course work in analytics, research techniques and data validation processes is required. A master's degree is preferable.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

There are a variety of universities in Atlantic Canada that offer programs in health and social sciences. A student considering the profession of Health Information Specialist may wish to find out which university and program most appeals to his/her own interest.

Health Unit Coordinator/ Ward Clerk

NOC CODE 13112

Health Unit Coordinators coordinate the activities and documentation for patients on the ward (unit) with other services and departments in the hospital or health care facility.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.40 - \$27.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$24.09 - \$25.13/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Private care facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Health Unit Coordinating Certificate or equivalent (including charting administration, medical terminology, computer essentials and document management)/Medical Support Services.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

Holland College, PE, Academy of Learning, PE, Eastern College, NS & NB, Keyin College, NL.



Home Support Worker (HSW)

NOC CODE 42201

HSW help home care clients to remain in their own homes and community as long as possible. By providing personal care, respite services, and assistance with household tasks, they work independently and are an integral part of the interdisciplinary home care team. They work closely with clients and their family and community support.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$17.33 - \$32.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$24.18 - \$26.29/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Private homes, Private care agencies (hired directly by families).

Minimum Academic Requirements: Successful completion of Licensed Practical Nursing Program or Resident Care Worker Program or equivalent training.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

Holland College, PE , Eastern College, NB & NS , Collège de l'Île, PE, Nova Scotia Community College, NS, College of the North Atlantic, NL , Marguerite Connolly Training and Consulting, PE , Community College of New Brunswick, NB.

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

NOC CODE 32101

LPNs are trained in the theory and practice of nursing. They study from the same body of nursing knowledge as Registered Nurses (RNs), with a focus on foundational knowledge. LPNs in PEI work under the direction of an RN or other duly qualified health care practitioner when performing reserved activities and they assume full responsibility for their own practice.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$24.44 - \$31.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$26.49 – \$31.59/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Long term care, Mental health and addiction centers, Home care and Primary care.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Successful completion of a Canadian Practical Nursing program and passing the Canadian Practical Nurse Registration Examination (national entrance examination). Students should have strong numeracy, literacy and time management skills.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

Holland College, PE, Collège de l'Île, PE, Oulton College, NB, Nova Scotia Community College, NS, New Brunswick Community College, NB, Université Saint-Anne, NS, College of the North Atlantic, NL.

Linear Accelerator Technologist

NOC CODE 32121

The Linear Accelerator Technologist supports the delivery of essential cancer treatment and is responsible for the installation, repair, maintenance and service of radiotherapy and other equipment in the PEI Cancer Treatment Centre. In consultation with medical professionals, they determine level of service and minimizes equipment 'down time'. They maintain precise service and repair records, including equipment recalls and advisories.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$29.59 - \$46.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$33.00 - \$40.47/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, cancer centers, radiation therapy clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements: An Electronics Engineering Technologist diploma or diploma in Electronics Engineering Technology (Biomedical) is required. Upon hiring, extensive training and certifications related to hospital specific equipment is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

College of the North Atlantic, NL, Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, AB, British Columbia Institute of Technology.

Magnetic Resonance Technologist (MRT)

NOC CODE 32121

MRT's work in an evolving field using magnetism, radio waves and computers to acquire cross-sectional images of the body. Their role as imaging specialists involves positioning patients, operating MRI machines, and ensuring high-quality diagnostic images.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$29.59 - \$46.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$33.55 - \$41.17/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Must be a registered technologist in Medical Radiography, Nuclear Medicine, Radiation Therapy or Sonography. Additional training of up to 12 months. The Northern Alberta Institute of Technology students can apply from high school to a 2-year program in Magnetic Resonance. The Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologist certification examination is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

Michener Institute for Applied Health Sciences, ON, Dalhousie University, NS, Cambrian College, ON, Northern Alberta Institute of Technology, AB, Fanshawe College, ON.

I always knew I wanted to work in healthcare growing up but wanted to explore the different options. I was lucky enough to be selected as a health care futures student while I was in high school where I was able to explore different jobs within the hospital. I was drawn to X-ray for the day to day diversity and the challenge of obtaining the images.

It's a very rewarding career that also comes with daily challenges. No two patients are the same and some can be more difficult to obtain images that are considered diagnostic. You need to be able to think on the fly and adapt to the patients needs.

I was lucky enough to be accepted into the radiography program offered at UPEI. Throughout the program I was introduced to many different branches and specialties including mammography, CT, ultrasound, MRI and Nuclear Med.

Career Spotlight

Med Radiation Technologist x Med Lab Technologist

Olivia V. - Med Rad Tech x Med Lab Tech



Medical Device Reprocessing Technician

NOC CODE 33109

Medical Device Reprocessing Technicians ensure that instruments used by all medical personnel in a hospital or other healthcare facility are disinfected and sterile. This includes cleaning and disinfection of instrumentation/reusable medical devices, prior to sterilization. The Technician monitors the sterilization process, inspects instrumentation for defects, assembles trays, tests autoclaves, orders supplies, and ensures that sterile supplies are safe for patient use.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$16.00 - \$28.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$24.09 - \$26.69/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekend.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Private dental/oral surgery clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Certificate in Medical Device Reprocessing, plus a practicum at a PEI facility.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Saskatchewan Polytechnic, SK, Algonquin College, ON, Vancouver Community College, BC, Vancouver Island University, BC.

Medical Dosimetrist

NOC CODE 32121

The medical dosimetrist is a member of the radiation oncology team, dealing with patients undergoing radiation to treat cancer and other diseases. This individual collaborates with the medical physicist and radiation oncologist to calculate radiation doses and determine dose distributions.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$29.59 - \$46.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$41.00 - \$48.26/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, day/nights/evening/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Cancer Treatment Centers, Radiation Oncology Clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Combination of university studies in science, radiation therapy and on-the-job training.

Educational Institutes Offering

a Program: Canadian Association of Radiation Technologists offers a Dosimetry Specialty Certificate Program.

(Candidate must have a minimum of 2 years work experience post-certification as a radiation therapist.)

Medical Laboratory Assistant

NOC CODE 33101

Medical Laboratory Assistants (MLAs) are part of the 'front line' laboratory staff members; they are often the first people with whom patients and clients interact. MLAs are trained to support the Medical Laboratory Technologist by carrying out phlebotomy procedures (drawing blood) and assisting in the pre and post phases of the testing process. This includes data entry, specimen collection and sorting, processing and sending reports.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$21.63 - \$38.00/hr

Health PEI – \$25.97 - \$28.22/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Private clinics, Medical laboratories.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A college diploma program in Medical Laboratory Assistant and certification by the Canadian Society of Medical Laboratory Science is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: New Brunswick Community College, NB, Oulton College, NB, College of the North Atlantic, NL.

Medical Laboratory Technologist

NOC CODE 321020

Medical Laboratory Technologists perform a broad range of laboratory tests and investigations to assist physicians with diagnosing, treating and preventing disease in various specimens.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$32.00 - \$40.00/hr

Health PEI – \$31.90 - \$39.16/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Diagnostic laboratories.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Post-secondary studies in medical laboratory science - usually a 3-year program at the community college level.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: New Brunswick Community College, NB, Nova Scotia Community College, NS, College of the North Atlantic, NL, Collège Communautaire du Nouveau-Brunswick, NB, Université de Moncton, NB, University of New Brunswick, NB, Dalhousie University, Oulton College, NB.



Medical Physicist

NOC CODE 21100

Medical physicists are professionals who apply physics principles to medicine, specifically focusing on using radiation for diagnosing and treating cancer and other diseases. As part of the radiation oncology team, they are responsible for ensuring the safe and effective delivery of radiation therapy, developing and maintaining treatment plans, and conducting research to improve treatment techniques. They play a crucial role in ensuring patient safety throughout the radiation therapy process.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦

Sector: Public

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$32.97 - 60.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$51.61 - \$64.52/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Cancer treatment facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Bachelor of Science in Physics, Master of Science in Physics (preferably Medical Physics), Doctorate in Biomedical Physics (optional) (preferably Medical Physics), 2-year residency in Medical Physics, Canadian College of Physicists in Medicine Certification or equivalent.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

Dalhousie University, NS.

Medical Radiation Technologist (MRT)

NOC CODE 32121

MRT's use highly specialized equipment to perform diagnostic imaging examinations and administer radiation therapy treatments. Using highly specialized equipment like X-ray equipment, static and fluoroscopic images, and mammography equipment, MRTs produce images that help Radiologists in the diagnosing and treating process.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$29.59 - \$46.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$33.55 - \$41.17/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Cancer treatment centers, Radiological laboratories.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A degree or diploma in radiography and successful completion of the Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists certification examination is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

University of Prince Edward Island, PE, CCNB Campbellton in partnership with the Université de Moncton, NB, Dalhousie University, NS, University of New Brunswick, NB, College of the North Atlantic, NL.

Medical Radiation Therapist

NOC CODE 32121

Radiation Therapists work collaboratively with the Radiation Oncologist to fulfill a prescription to deliver a precisely measured dose of radiation to a defined tumour volume. They provide ongoing clinical assessments, diagnostic imaging examinations, education and support to patients throughout their treatment.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$29.59 - \$46.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$44.92 - \$52.88/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Cancer treatment facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Students are eligible to apply after completing a minimum of 1 year towards a science degree.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

University of New Brunswick, NB, The Michener Institute for Applied Health Sciences jointly with the University of Toronto, ON.



Medical Secretary

NOC CODE 13112

Medical Secretaries perform various administrative duties, such as transcribing medical reports, booking appointments, transcribing physician orders, preparing correspondence and maintaining administrative and electronic files.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.40 - \$27.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$26.15 - \$28.43/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Clinics, Hospitals, Primary care centers, Physician offices, Physio and rehab clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Successful completion of a recognized Medical Support Services Program, Secretarial or Office Studies Program with a specialized course in Medical Terminology (with an on- the-job training component) is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program:

Academy of Learning College, PE, Holland College, PE, New Brunswick Community College, NB , Oulton College, NB, Keyin College, NL.

Career Spotlight

Midwife

Melissa R. - Registered Midwife

I wanted to become a midwife for the connection it offers - to other midwives and to the families we care for. The pillars of continuity and choice are so foundational to the profession - and when we have families who choose our care, and come back for future pregnancies, and we watch them feel empowered to have a seat at the table in their own health care, it's pretty special.

As Midwives we specialize in low-risk care, but we are well versed in recognizing emergencies and how to provide care in those situations until we can access help. I love that my training and ongoing professional development makes me feel confident in handling these situations, to ensure that families are getting the care they need.

Midwives have been around for as long as people have been having babies, and it's pretty special to have people who want to carry on the profession after all this time.



Midwife

NOC CODE 31303

Midwives are trained health professionals who offer comprehensive care to pregnant women and their babies. They are responsible for providing assessments, physical examinations, screening and diagnostic testing, and for delivering births and continuing to care for individuals and their babies for at least six weeks after birth. They also provide health promotion and post-partum education on nutrition and parenting.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

Health PEI – \$41.62 - \$52.04/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Private birthing centers, Private homes, Clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Graduated from a recognized Canadian Midwifery Education program or equivalent in accordance with the PEI Midwives Regulations.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: McMaster University, ON, Mount Royal University, AB, Toronto Metropolitan University, ON, University of British Columbia, BC, University of Manitoba, MB.

Nuclear Medicine Technologist

NOC CODE 32121

Nuclear Medicine Technologists conduct specific diagnostic imaging and treatment procedures. They prepare and administer radiopharmaceuticals, use gamma cameras and SPECT (hybrid imaging) technology to diagnose and manage diseases such as cancer, heart and thyroid disorders.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$29.59 - \$46.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Imaging clinics, Diagnostic laboratories.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Degree or diploma in nuclear medicine is required and successful completion of the Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologist certification examination.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS, Michener Institute for Applied Health Sciences/ University of Toronto, ON, Southern Alberta Institute of Technology Polytechnic, AB, British Columbia Institute of Technology, BC, Collège Ahuntsic, QC.

Nurse Practitioner

NOC CODE 31302

Nurse Practitioners (NP) are Registered Nurses with advanced education. They have the knowledge and skill to diagnose and treat illnesses and help manage health concerns. NP's manage chronic disease by educating patients, prescribing medication and ordering and interpreting tests. NP's work autonomously and collaboratively with interdisciplinary teams and perform specific procedures within their scope of practice.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – Approximately \$49.52/hr, Health PEI – \$57.37 - \$64.94/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Primary care, Long term care, Mental health and addictions centers, Geriatric programs, Hospitals.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

After receiving a baccalaureate in nursing, a Master of Nursing - Nurse Practitioner and a passing score on the Canadian Nurse Practitioner Exam is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: University of Prince Edward Island, PE, Dalhousie University, NS, Memorial University, NL, Université de Moncton, NB, University of New Brunswick (Fredericton and Saint John), NB.



It's exciting to watch your patient's progress and know you have played a role in their recovery.

You have a sense of fulfillment every time your patient/client achieves a functional goal... like standing or walking again for the first time.



Occupational Therapist

NOC CODE 31203

Occupational Therapists work with individuals to help maintain or improve their ability to participate in activities that are important to them. Occupational Therapists view "occupation" as everything you do to occupy your day, such as: self-care activities (bathing, dressing, toileting, grooming, cooking), leisure activities (hobbies, sports, social activities), and productive activities (paid or unpaid work, housework, school). Occupational Therapists can teach clients new ways to perform daily activities after an injury or disability and perform assessments.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – Approximately \$38.21/hr,

Health PEI – \$36.75 - \$45.04/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Long term care facilities, Physical therapy rehab clinics, Veterans groups.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Master of Occupational Therapy is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS, Université du Québec à Trois-Rivières, QC, University of Ottawa, ON (French).

Occupational Therapy/Physiotherapy Assistant

NOC CODE 32109

Working under the supervision of an Occupational Therapist or Physiotherapist, the Occupational Therapy/Physiotherapy Assistant (OT/PT Assistant) works directly with individuals whose ability to function and adapt is impaired or compromised. The OT/PT Assistant implements treatment plans to help patients to reach their treatment and functional goals and resume their routines of daily living.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.40 - \$27.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$30.90 - \$33.48/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Private clinics, Long term care facilities, Rehabilitation centers, Private physio and occupational therapy clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Diploma from a recognized Physiotherapy, Occupational Therapy or Rehabilitation Assistant.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Holland College, PE, College of the North Atlantic, NL, Nova Scotia Community College, NS, Université Sainte-Anne, NS, Eastern College, NS & NB.

Ophthalmic Technician

NOC CODE 32109

Ophthalmic Technicians support ophthalmologists by working with patients to gather information (e.g., vision measurements and diagnostic tests) to allow the correct diagnosis and treatment of eye diseases and disorders.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.40 - \$27.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$23.89 - \$25.90/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Private Practice.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Certificate program and on-the-job training by employer.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program: Centennial College, ON (Distance Education).



Orderly

NOC CODE 33102

An orderly works under nurses, hospital staff and physicians' supervision to help care for patients. As an orderly, you will provide basic care, including taking temperature and pulse, helping with bathing, dressing, grooming and eating, collecting specimens, moving physically challenged people, and other duties as requested by supervisors.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.50 - \$25.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Long-term care facilities, Group homes, Private care facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

On-the-job training or a personal support worker, nursing aide or health care aide college or private institutional program, or a college nursing orderly program and supervised practical training are required.

Educational Institutes Offering

a Program: Columbia College, AB, Holland College, PE.

Orthopedic Technologist

NOC CODE 33109

Orthopedic Technologists are medically trained individuals who work under the direction of physician specialists, i.e. orthopedic, plastic and vascular surgeons, emergency physicians and physiatrists. They are experts in plaster and synthetic cast application and provide care to patients with orthopedic (skeletal structure) problems through the application, adjustment and removal of casts, splints and traction fittings.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.40 - \$28.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospital fracture /Orthopedic ambulatory clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Must have certification from recognized school of Orthopedic Technology and the school must be endorsed by the Canadian Society of Orthopedic Technologists (CSOT).

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Students can register with the Canadian Society of Orthopedic Technologists (CSOT), complete 850 hours of mentoring with a Certified Orthopedic Technologist, and then apply to take the CSOT exams and complete the clinical certification.

Orthoptist

NOC CODE 32100

Orthoptists have specialized training and knowledge in visual disorders that affect binocular vision and eye movement in children and adults. As clinicians, Orthoptists work closely with ophthalmologists to assess and treat vision disorders and other abnormalities.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$21.82 - \$66.00.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Private eye clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Completion of a post-baccalaureate orthoptics fellowship program with a Master of Science in Clinical Vision Science.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: IWK Centre/ Dalhousie University, NS.



Paramedic

NOC CODE 32102

Paramedics administer pre-hospital emergency medical care to patients with injuries or medical illnesses and transport them to hospitals or other medical facilities for further medical care. They are employed by private ambulance services, hospitals, fire departments, government departments and agencies, manufacturing firms, mining companies and other private sector establishments.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$21.00 - \$39 /hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Ambulances, Medical facilities, Remote locations.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Recognized college diploma program and successful completion of an licensing examination.

Educational Institutes Offering

a Program: Holland College, PE, Medavie HealthEd, NS, NB, SK, Oulton College, NB, College of the North Atlantic, NL.

Pharmacists

NOC CODE 31120

Pharmacists prepare and dispense medications (prescribed by physicians) to individuals. They also provide drug therapy and drug information to improve the health of patients. Pharmacists educate clients and health professionals on the administration, uses and effects of medications.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$43.00 - \$61.93 /hr,

Health PEI – \$61.79 - \$71.77/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Long-term care facilities, Retail pharmacies, Rehab facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A 4-year undergraduate entry-to-practice Doctor of Pharmacy program is required. At least two years of university prerequisite courses are required before being accepted into a pharmacy program. Pharmacists must pass a national certification examination and a provincial legal examination to practice in PEI.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS, Université de Montréal, QC, Memorial University, NL, Université Laval, QC.

Legislation authorizes **Pharmacy Technicians** to be a regulated health profession in the province. Registered Pharmacy Technicians play an important role in the technical aspects of the practice of pharmacy and support pharmacists to provide comprehensive care to the public.

Pharmacy Technician

NOC CODE 32124

Pharmacy Technicians are responsible for compounding, preparing, labeling and distributing pharmaceutical products. As a pharmacy tech, you will ensure that prescriptions are complete and accurate, and that drug and personal health information on client records are correct.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.40 - \$23.28/hr

Health PEI – \$28.19 - \$31.84/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospital pharmacies, Retail pharmacies, Long-term care facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Recognized college diploma program and successful completion of a national examination and provincial legal examination.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: New Brunswick Community College, NB, Oulton College, NB, Keyin College, NL, Nova Scotia Community College, NS, Eastern College, NS.

Physician Assistant

NOC CODE 31303

Physician Assistants work under the direction of a physician. A physician assistant is trained to perform a wide range of medical duties, including conducting physical exams, ordering and interpreting tests, and assisting in medical procedures. They help to improve patient care by providing diagnostic and preventative healthcare services and act as a bridge between patients and physicians.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$21.82 - \$66.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$54.44 - \$62.42/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Medical Offices.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A post-secondary program in physician assisting recognized by the Physician Assistant Certification Council of Canada or accredited by the Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physician Assistant in the United States of America.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: University of Toronto, University of Manitoba, McMaster University (ON).

Physicist Assistant

NOC CODE 21100

Physicist Assistants work under the direction of a certified medical physicist and are part of the cancer care team. A physicist assistant applies their understanding of science and technology to ensure that medical equipment works properly and helps to develop better healthcare programs.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

Health PEI – \$36.11 - \$44.27/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, Days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Cancer treatment facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Bachelor of Science in Physics and Graduate Degree in Physics or related field.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: All universities in Atlantic Canada.



Physiotherapist

NOC CODE 31202

Physiotherapists assess, diagnose and treat symptoms of illness, injury and disability through a combination of specialized hands-on clinical skills and an extensive knowledge of the body. Physiotherapists provide education, prescribe individualized therapeutic exercise programs and implement physical treatment techniques to maintain, improve or restore strength, function and movement, alleviate pain in patients.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$27.50 - \$45.00/hr

Health PEI – \$36.75 - \$48.02/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days.

Typical Work Locations: Private rehab clinics, Physical therapy rehab clinics, Veterans groups.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Master of Physiotherapy is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program: Dalhousie University,

NS, Université de Sherbrooke, QC, University of Ottawa, ON (French).

Psychologist

NOC CODE 31200

Psychologists study the behavior, emotions and thinking processes of humans to better understand their behavior and provide assessment and treatment for mental health disorders. A Psychologist studies these processes from an evidence-based viewpoint. A Clinical Psychologist is licensed to provide assessment, diagnosis and treatment of a wide range of human problems.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$20.00 - \$52.82/hr,

Health PEI – \$52.04 - \$64.13/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Schools, Correctional Facilities, Private clinics, Private practice.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

In Prince Edward Island, Clinical Psychologists must hold a Doctorate degree in Psychology, complete with two years of supervised practice as well as written and oral examinations.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program: The University of PEI

offers a Bachelor in Psychology and a Doctorate in Psychology program (PsyD). Other universities have psychology departments which offer doctorate degrees. Dalhousie University, Memorial University, the University of New Brunswick and the Université de Moncton offer PhD Programs in Clinical Psychology.

Recreation Therapy Worker

NOC CODE 32109

Recreation Therapy Workers promote, develop and coordinate activities that contribute to the social and physical well-being of clients/residents by working one-on-one or with groups. They work with individuals who have illnesses and disabling conditions to improve their health and quality of life through leisure and recreation. As a Recreation Therapist, you'll come up with creative, enjoyable activities that assist in patients' recoveries.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.40 - \$27.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Group homes, Mental health facilities, Long term care facilities, Rehabilitation centers.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Diploma or Bachelor's Degree from a Post-Secondary Institution.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program: Holland College, PE, Acadia

University, NS, St. Francis Xavier, NS, University of Prince Edward Island, PE, Université de Moncton, NB, University of New Brunswick, NB, Dalhousie University, NS.

Registered Dietitian

NOC CODE 31121

A Registered Dietitian uses the science of nutrition to help people make healthy food choices to both promote health and prevent and/or treat disease. Registered Dietitian roles include assessing nutrition needs of clients/patients, counselling patients, developing food and nutrition programs and policies to improve community health, managing food production and distribution, and conducting research.

Job Outlook: ◆◆◆◆

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$34.91 - \$44.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$32.31 - \$40.38/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days.

Typical Work Locations: Private practice, Fitness facilities, Food service companies, Grocery stores, Pharmacies, Private care homes.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Bachelor of Science majoring in Foods and Nutrition and accredited Dietetic Internship Program.

Educational Institutes Offering a Program: University of Prince Edward Island, PE, Mount Saint Vincent University, NS, Université de Moncton, NB, St. Francis Xavier University, NS, Acadia University, NS.

Registered Nurse

NOC CODE 31301

Registered Nurses provide comprehensive holistic nursing care to meet the needs of individuals and families. At all stages of life, in situations of health, illness, injury and disability, RNs deliver direct health care services, coordinate care and support clients in managing their own health. They contribute to the health care system through their leadership across a wide range of settings in practice, education, and administration.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$30.00 - \$45.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$38.51 - \$47.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, School well-being teams, Universities, Primary care, Long term care facilities, Mental health and addictions centers.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BScN) or Bachelor of Nursing (BN) with a passing score on the National Council Licensure Examination (NCLEX) is required.

Educational Institutes Offering

a Program: University of Prince Edward Island, PE, University of New Brunswick, NB, Université de Moncton, NB, St. Francis Xavier University, NS, Dalhousie University, NS, Cape Breton University, NS, Memorial University, NL.

Registered Prosthetic-Orthotic Technician

NOC CODE 32129

Registered Prosthetic-Orthotic Technicians work in collaboration with a Certified Prosthetist or Certified Orthotist to design and construct various prosthetic (artificial limbs) and orthotic (braces) devices.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.25 - \$30.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$29.13 - \$35.75/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Rehabilitation Centers, Private Facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A 2-year college diploma program. Graduates are eligible to write the national registration exam after working in the profession for 2 years under the supervision of a certified practitioner.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: George Brown College, ON.



Resident/Patient Care Worker

NOC CODE 33102

Resident Care Workers (RCWs) and Patient Care Workers (PCWs) are members of a collaborative, interdisciplinary health care team. They are responsible for providing physical, emotional, psychological and social care to residents and patients under the supervision of RNs or LPNs. This includes assisting with activities of daily living and ensuring residents/patients comfort and safety.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$15.50 - \$25.00/hr

Health PEI – \$23.82 - \$24.83/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Nursing homes, Assisted care facilities for the elderly, Health care establishments, Hospitals, Private long term care facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Successful completion of a recognized Resident Care Worker training program or equivalent.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Holland College, PE, Collège de l'Île, PE, Marguerite Connolly Training and Consulting, PE, Eastern College, NS & NB, NBCC, NB, NSCC, NS.

Respiratory Therapist

NOC CODE 32103

Respiratory Therapists work with physicians and other health care professionals in the diagnosis, treatment and care of patients with respiratory and associated disorders. These professionals are trained to assist individuals with their breathing.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$27.40 - \$50.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$38.25 - \$46.93/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals (Emergency rooms, operating rooms etc.).

Minimum Academic Requirements:

3 year diploma program or 4-year bachelor's degree is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS, University of New Brunswick, NB, New Brunswick Community College, NB, Université de Moncton in partnership with the New Brunswick Community College, NB.



Social Service Worker

NOC CODE 42201

Social Service Workers complete assessments and develop case plans, implement behavior management strategies and provide family-based care, supervision, counseling, education and group rehabilitation services.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$17.33 - \$32.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$26.49 - \$31.59/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Addiction services, Community residential facilities, Rehab facilities, Institutional psychiatric care facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A degree in social science (e.g., Social Work, Psychology, Sociology, Criminology etc.) or successful completion of a community college program in a related field is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: All universities in Atlantic Canada, Holland College, PE, Nova Scotia Community College, NS, Oulton College, NB, Eastern College, NB & NS, College of the North Atlantic, NL.

Social Worker

NOC CODE 41300

Social Workers are professionals who believe in the social justice, human rights, dignity and worth of all people. Social Workers work with individuals, families, and communities to empower them in the development of skills, resources, and supports to maximize their potential.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$30.00 - \$42.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$33.97 - \$42.49/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Child protection services, Schools, Hospitals, Addiction and mental health services and Homecare, Private home care facilities.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) is the entry level qualification and a Master of Social Work (MSW) may be necessary for some positions.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: St. Thomas University, NB, Memorial University, NL, Dalhousie, NS.

Sonographer

NOC CODE 32122

Diagnostic Medical Sonographers use sound waves (ultrasound) to create images that will assist in the diagnosis and treatment of the cardiovascular system, digestive tract, and aid in the monitoring of pregnancies. A sonographer is trained to understand and capture images of internal organs and tissues.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$32.00 - \$53.00/hr,

Health PEI – \$35.95 - 44.10/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Private clinics.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

Diploma or degree and successful completion of Sonography Canada examination.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS
College of the North Atlantic, NL (Post Diploma).

Specialist Physician

NOC CODE 31100

These health professionals specialize in specific organs and body systems. Specialist physicians examine people and provide advice and treatment to manage specific health conditions.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$80,605 - 415,379 (per year).

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Clinics, Outpatient centers.

Minimum Academic Requirements:

A bachelor's degree is strongly recommended prior to applying to a medical program at an accredited university. After graduation from an approved medical school, specific specialty training ranging from 4-6 years in length, depending on the specialty area, is required.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS, Memorial University, NL, UPEI, PE.



Speech Language Pathologist

NOC CODE 31112

Speech-Language Pathologists work with children and adults to help them improve their communication skills. They specialize in the evaluation, diagnosis and treatment of communication, voice and swallowing disorders.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$36.47 - 51.79/hr,

Health PEI – \$38.04 - \$47.61/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, Days.

Typical Work Locations: Hospitals, Private clinics, Schools, Private Practice.

Minimum Academic Requirements: Master of Speech Language Pathology.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Dalhousie University, NS, University of British Columbia, BC, University of Western Ontario, ON, University of Ottawa, ON (French), Université de Montréal, QC, Université Laval, QC.

Youth Worker

NOC CODE 42201

Youth Workers support change and personal growth in children, youth and young adults through modeling, coaching and teaching. Youth Workers are responsible for supporting youth to improve coping skills, social skills, and behavior management. Often working collaboratively as part of an interdisciplinary team, they are an integral part of the comprehensive treatment plan.

Job Outlook: ♦♦♦♦

Sector: Public and Private

Approximate Wage:

NOC – \$17.33 - \$32.00/hr.

Shifts/Working Hours: Full and Part-Time Positions, Days/nights/evenings/weekends.

Typical Work Locations: Mental health care settings, Hospitals, Residential programs, K-12 Schools and Addiction services.

Minimum Academic Requirements: 1-2-year college program in youth services or a degree in a social science discipline.

Educational Institutes Offering a

Program: Holland College, PE, Oulton College, NB, Nova Scotia Community College, NS, Collège de l'Île, PE, Eastern College, NB & NS, University of Prince Edward Island.

Being a youth worker is a great profession because you deal with young people every day, and dealing with young people keeps you young at heart.





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- Health sector professionals
- Educational institutions
- Professional associations and groups
- Government of Prince Edward Island and the Government of Canada

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