

Pharmacy Technician (Integrated)

Level: 3

Duration: 27 months

Pharmacy Technicians are registered healthcare professionals who take responsibility for the safe preparation, supply, and optimisation of medicines.

Apprenticeship overview

This integrated apprenticeship prepares you to meet the professional standards required to register with the General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC). You will build advanced clinical knowledge, learn to manage complex dispensing processes, and supervise pharmacy support staff.

Core skills, knowledge and behaviours you will learn

- Applied pharmacology, therapeutics, and medicines optimisation
- Pharmacy law, ethics, and professional conduct (GPhC standards)
- Complex prescription validation and technical manufacturing (aseptic/compounding)
- Leadership, team supervision, and mentoring
- Clinical governance, audit processes, and patient safety reporting
- Advanced communication with patients and multidisciplinary healthcare teams

Typical job roles

- Pharmacy Technician
- Clinical Pharmacy Technician
- Dispensing Technician
- Medicines Management Technician

Where you might work

- NHS and private hospitals
- Large community pharmacy chains or independent pharmacies
- Primary Care Networks (PCNs) and GP surgeries
- Pharmaceutical manufacturing and research facilities



Good to know!

Upon completion, you must register with the GPhC to practice legally as a Pharmacy Technician

The role carries significant legal and professional accountability

You must commit to continuous professional development (CPD) throughout your career