PHARMACISTS’ ASSISTANTS TRAINING PROGRAMME
Community, Institutional/Hospital (public and private sectors) and Distribution/Wholesale Pharmacy – (public and private sectors)

Presented by the Pharmacy Training and Development Project, Department of Pharmacy

Do you feel like this when you hear the word “study”? With the newly-approved outcomes-based course from Medunsa Campus you will soon change your mind.

- Obtain a national qualification accepted country-wide
- Be a trained person with wider knowledge and expertise
- Increase your self-confidence
- Deliver a better quality of work
- Be more productive
- Discover the important of your role as a team member
- Be a greater asset to your pharmacy

Your development path

Unqualified
Obtain information about the course from accredited providers and South African Pharmacy Council
Register as a Learner Basic PA with the SAPC
Register as a learner with an accredited provider of your choice
Basic Level Pharmacist Assistant (BLPA) Learner
Be assessed successfully

Register as a Basic Level Pharmacist Assistant (BLPA) with SAPC
Practise as a Qualified Person

Institutional/Hospital Community Distribution/Wholesale
The qualification

This qualification will directly assist in skilling Pharmacists’ Assistants to support the Pharmacist in rendering pharmaceutical services.

National Certificate: Pharmacist Assistance
SAQA Qualification ID: 62249
NQF Level 3
146 credits

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At the end of the course, learners will be able to

- Communicate effectively to provide care and support to clients and colleagues
- Apply mathematical skills
- Explain the legislation, ethics and terminology related to pharmacy and health care
- Work with patients/clients
- Perform pharmacy stock functions
Course provider

The Pharmacy Training and Development Project (PTDP) of the Department of Pharmacy at the University of Limpopo, Medunsa Campus.

What is the course like?

- Approved by the SAPC
- Duration of course is 14 months
- Enrol in groups every three months
- Outcomes-based
- Consists of an orientation module and eight other modules for the Institutional/Hospital and Community sectors, and six other modules for the Distribution/Wholesale sector
- Theoretical training is provider-driven through contact sessions with eight workshops for the Institutional/Hospital and Community sectors, and six workshops for the Distribution/Wholesale sector
- Fourteen (14) months in-service training
- Practical training is provider-directed and tutor-driven at the workplace
- You earn while you learn
- Thought-stimulating learning material
- Easy-to-follow modules make learning fun
- Lots of learning activities ensure that you are ready for assessment
- Learning Activities change theoretical knowledge into real world skills
- Fair assessments conducted by accredited assessors
- Appeal process in place
- Learner support from the provider

Fees include all learning materials, workshops and assessment for each module.

Medunsa Campus, Department of Pharmacy also offers other qualifications and courses for CPD purposes

- BPharm Degree – approved by SA Pharmacy Council for registration as a pharmacist, after internship and community service
- Post Graduate degrees in Pharmacy: MSc (Med) in Pharmacy, PhD
- Pharmacovigilance and its role in patient safety: (in partnership with Health Science Academy)
- Dispensing Course for Health Care Professionals
- The Pharmacist in HIV and AIDS
- The Management of Pharmaceutical Supply (in partnership with Commonwealth Pharmacists’ Association)
- The Rational Management of Medicine (in partnership with Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute)
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