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LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE

WHAT WILL I BE DOING?

- Caring for and comforting patients
- Working to ensure successful patient recovery
- Check vital signs, such as blood pressure and temperature
- Change dressings
- Feed patients and help them with personal hygiene

NATIONAL, STATE AND LOCAL WAGE INFORMATION			
	Entry Level Hourly Wage	2016 Employment	Projected 2026 Employment
Capital Area	\$17.34	2,695	3,222
Texas	\$18.18	71,428	85,033
United States	\$16.61	724,500	813,400

WHAT JOB TITLES SHOULD I SEARCH FOR?

- Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurse
- Medical Care Technician
- Registered Nurse

WHERE COULD I WORK?

- Medical and Surgical Hospitals
- Nursing Care Facilities
- Home Health Care Services
- Offices of Physicians
- Community Care Facilities for the Elderly

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS NEEDED

WHAT TYPE OF EDUCATION AND OR TRAINING WILL I NEED?

Workers in occupations at this level can develop the skills needed for average job performance after completing a training program, which lasts approximately a year, and passing a licensing exam.

WILL I NEED A SPECIAL LICENSE OR CERTIFICATION?

Many occupations prefer or require at least one certification for entry or advancement. The Texas Workforce Investment Council has indicated the following as Industry– Based Certifications for this occupation: Licensed Vocational Nurse.

Primary Data Sources: Texas Workforce Commission at texaslmi.com, JobsEQ at jobseq.eqsuite.com, Bureau of Labor Statistics at bls.gov, and CareerOneStop at careerinfonet.org, national data 2019



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LICENSED VOCATIONAL NURSE

CAPITAL AREA CAREER LADDER

* Also Included on Targeted Occupation List (PY 2021)

Nurse Practitioner

Hourly Wages

• Entry Level: \$39.22

• Median Level: \$49.61

Typical Education & Experience

Master's Degree

236 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

*Registered Nurse (RN)

Hourly Wages

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• Entry Level: \$26.50

• Median Level: \$33.65

Typical Education & Experience

Associate's or Bachelor's Degree

Licensing/Registration Required

3,225 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026



Hourly Wages

• Entry Level: \$17.34

Median Level: \$22.66

Typical Education & Experience

Postsecondary non-degree award

Licensing required

527 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

*Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA)

Hourly Wages

• Entry Level: \$10.68

Median Level: \$13.42

Typical Education & Experience

Postsecondary non-degree award

904 new & replacement positions between 2016-2026

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