

Behavioral & Psychiatric Health Technician

INDUSTRY FACTS



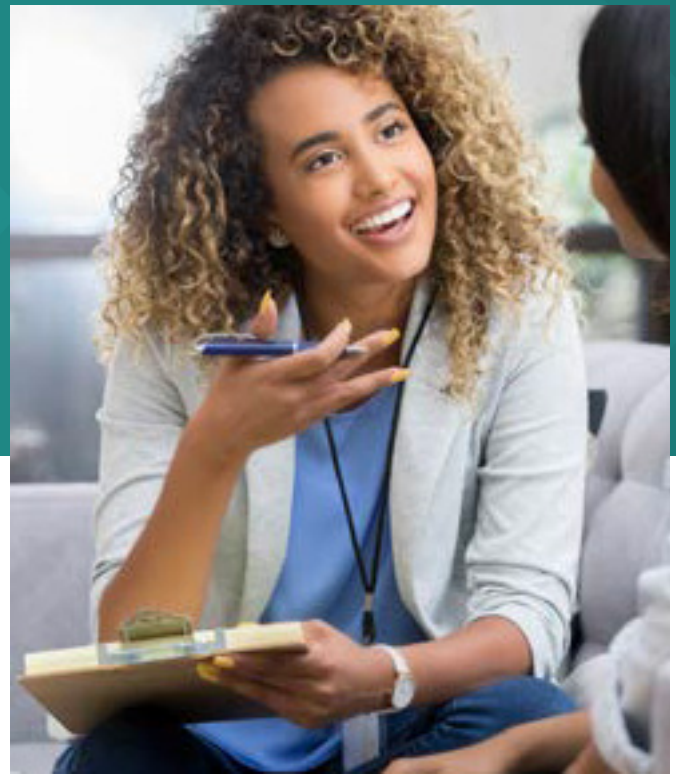
What do behavioral and psychiatric health technicians do?

Behavioral and Psychiatric Health Technicians care for people who have mental illness and developmental disabilities. They are compassionate, patient, understanding, and possess excellent interpersonal skills. Here's a breakdown of their responsibilities:

- Evaluating clients' mental and physical health, addiction, or problematic behavior
- Assessing patients' readiness for treatment
- Developing, recommending, and reviewing treatment goals and plans with clients and their families
- Assisting patients in developing skills and behaviors necessary to recover from their addiction
- Working with clients to identify behaviors or situations that interfere with their recovery

Where do they work?

Behavioral and psychiatric technicians work in a variety of environments that range from mental health centers and community centers to prisons and private practices.



How much do they earn?

There's something about working in a field that is meaningful and pays well—particularly in a world where more and more professionals are looking to make a real difference in the lives of others. According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the average psychiatric technician salary is \$37,330 per year.*

How's the job outlook?

As mental and physical health continue to take center stage, experts predict an 9% job growth rate over the next 10 years.*

*Bureau of Labor Statistics, U.S. Department of Labor. "Psychiatric Technicians and Aides" Occupational Outlook Handbook. Accessed March 25, 2024.

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PROGRAM DETAILS

Prepare For A Better Job

Train affordably without sacrificing quality. This program's comprehensive training was developed by industry professionals with years of experience – specially designed to help you prepare for the American Association of Psychiatric Technicians (AAPT) – Level 1 and the Certified Electronic Health Records Specialist (CEHRS) certification exams.

Learn Your Way (From Home)

With online training, you can absorb more knowledge and learn more skills—fast.

- Study on a schedule that fits your life
- Progress at a pace that matches your learning style
- Adjust the time and effort you devote to your coursework each day

Receive Coaching and Guidance

When you train with CareerStep, we back you every step of the way—from enrollment through course completion.

- Learner support
- Technical support

Program Outline

Module Name
Program Orientation: Behavioral & Psychiatric Technician
Fundamentals of HIPAA
Communication and Customer Service
Patient Care Coordination and Education
Comprehensive Medical Terminology
Pharmacology Basics
Infection Control
Testing and Laboratory Procedures
Medical Administrative Assistant
EKG and Cardiovascular
Comprehensive Electronic Health Records
Advocacy, Mentoring and Empowerment
Psychology and Psychiatric Disorders
Program Completion: Behavioral & Psychiatric Technician