Careers in the Allied Health Professions

Note: This is not intended to be a complete list of possible allied health careers; rather it is a sampling of possible options and resources.

Boston College Resources

Use your BC email to create a free account. Once logged in, navigate to the ‘Industries & Professions’ tab, click on ‘Go to the Finder’ and enter field of interest in the ‘Find by Name’ box (e.g. Pharmacist).

EagleLink: https://bc-csm.symplicity.com/students

CareerEdge: http://careeredge.bc.edu
Sign up to receive alerts for the ‘Health and Healthcare’ blog

General Resources

Boston Young Health Care Professionals: http://www.byhp.org
Connects professionals from all areas of healthcare. Hosts educational and networking events.

ExploreHealthCareers.org: http://explorehealthcareers.org
Provides overviews of a wide range of health field, links to academic programs for each field, and more.

Genetic Counseling

National Society of Genetic Counselors: http://www.nsgc.org
News, blog, job connection, conference and other educational opportunities.

American Board of Genetic Counseling (ABGC): http://www.abgc.net
Information about licensure and how to become a genetic counselor.

Nursing

American Association of Colleges of Nursing: http://www.aacn.nche.edu
Includes information about accelerated nursing programs (BSN and MSN) as well as a career section.

Also see the Boston College Nursing Career Resources sheet (must be logged in to EagleLink to view).

Pharmacy

American Pharmacists’ Association (APhA): http://www.pharmacist.com
Links to news and a career section with information about jobs, fellowships and graduate programs.

American College of Clinical Pharmacy (ACCP): http://www.accp.com
Lists pharmacy organizations and offers a career section with positions, residencies, fellowships, and more.

American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP): http://www.aacp.org
Includes a list of *graduate programs* in North America and a *career* section.

**Physical Therapy & Occupational Therapy**

**American Physical Therapy Association (APTA):** [www.apta.org](http://www.apta.org)
Offers information about *careers* in physical therapy. View the page for *prospective students*.

**American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA):** [http://www.aota.org](http://www.aota.org)
Offers information about the field, conferences/events, and relevant news. Includes a *Find a School* page.

**Physician Assistant**

**American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA):** [www.aapa.org](http://www.aapa.org)
National society for PAs. Includes news, resources for practitioners, events and a *career* section.

**Massachusetts Academy of Physician Assistants (MAPA):** [http://www.mass-pa.com](http://www.mass-pa.com)
Offers professional resources, events and conferences, and a *career* section.

**Physician Assistant Education Association (PAEA):** [http://www.paeaoine.org](http://www.paeaoine.org)
Offers a *directory of PA programs* across the U.S. *PA Focus* describes the types of programs and how to apply.

**Public Health**

**American Public Health Association (APHA):** [http://www.apha.org](http://www.apha.org)
Offers resources and programs for professionals, including a *Careers* section.

**Association of Schools & Programs of Public Health (ASPPH):** [http://www.aspph.org](http://www.aspph.org)
Search for academic programs in the field. Offers annual summit on Undergraduate Education for Public Health.

**Massachusetts Public Health Association (MPHA):** [http://www.mphaweb.org](http://www.mphaweb.org)
Local affiliate of APHA. Understand state’s public health priorities, attend events, access resources, and join campaigns. *Internships* are available.

**What is Public Health?:** [http://www.whatispublichealth.org](http://www.whatispublichealth.org)
Provides information about what public health is and what careers are available within the field.

**CareersInPublicHealth.net:** [http://www.careersinpublichealth.net](http://www.careersinpublichealth.net)
Search a variety of public health careers and their salary ranges. Learn about academic programs and jobs.

**Other Related Fields**

**American Academy of Audiology:** [http://www.audiology.org](http://www.audiology.org)
Includes publications and resources, meetings and events, as well as a listing of *audiology programs*.

**American Speech-Language-Hearing Association:** [http://www.asha.org](http://www.asha.org)
Includes resources for *audiologists* as well as *speech-language pathologists*. Offers events, conferences, publications and a *career* section, where you can explore the professions, get salary data, and more.

**Association of Schools and College of Optometry:** [http://www.opted.org](http://www.opted.org)
Learn more about what optometrists do and about graduate programs in the field.

**American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA):** [http://www.apma.org](http://www.apma.org)
Learn more about *careers* in podiatry and *podiatric education*.