HEALTH CARE

INDUSTRY OVERVIEW
Health Care combines technology and empathy to help the public stay healthy or get well. It is one of the largest sectors in San Diego County; an estimated one in every eight jobs in the region is health services-related. This sector is also known to be “recession-proof” and stable as jobs grew during 2007–2009 when all other jobs in the region declined.

Sub-sectors:
- Hospitals
- Ambulatory Health Care Services
- Nursing and Long-Term Care

FAST FACTS
- 7,304 Businesses
- 139,344 People employed
- 19,105 5-year job growth
- 13.7% 5-year job growth rate
- $57,546 Average annual salary


Top Five Occupations by Educational Attainment and Median Hourly Wages

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<tr>
<th>HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA</th>
<th>ASSOCIATE DEGREE</th>
<th>BACHELOR’S DEGREE OR ABOVE</th>
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<td>Home Health Aides</td>
<td>$12.38</td>
<td>Dental Assistants</td>
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<td>Receptionists and</td>
<td>$14.88</td>
<td>Health Care Social Workers</td>
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<td>Information Clerks</td>
<td>$17.60</td>
<td>Laboratory Technologists</td>
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<td>Medical Secretaries</td>
<td>$17.79</td>
<td>Registered Nurses</td>
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<td>Billing Clerks</td>
<td>$25.61</td>
<td>Physician Assistants</td>
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<td>Office Supervisors</td>
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Knowledge:
- Medicine and Dentistry
- Education and Training
- Customer and Personal Service
- Public Safety and Security
- Therapy and Counseling

Skills:
- Social Perceptiveness
- Active Listening
- Service Orientation
- Critical Thinking
- Monitoring
- Coordination

Abilities:
- Deductive Reasoning
- Inductive Reasoning
- Problem-Solving
- Oral Expression
- Written Comprehension
- Speech Clarity

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### Sample of Local Employers

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<th>COMPANY NAME</th>
<th>DESCRIPTION</th>
<th>NUMBER OF EMPLOYEES</th>
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<td>UC San Diego Health System</td>
<td>Only academic health system in region; includes several facilities with focuses on cancer treatment, cardiovascular treatment, etc.</td>
<td>10,000+</td>
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<td>Rady Children's Hospital</td>
<td>Nonprofit hospital providing comprehensive pediatric medical services; only hospital dedicated exclusively to pediatric health care and pediatric trauma</td>
<td>1,001 – 5,000</td>
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<td>Kaiser Permanente</td>
<td>For profit integrated health care association with an emphasis on preventative care</td>
<td>10,000+</td>
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<td>Sharp Health System</td>
<td>Nonprofit, integrated, regional health care system with both acute-care and specialty hospitals</td>
<td>10,000+</td>
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<td>Scripps Health System</td>
<td>Nonprofit health care system with hospitals and outpatient facilities; also includes clinical research and medical education programs</td>
<td>10,000+</td>
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Source: LinkedIn May 2017.

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### How do I start my career in Health Care?

- **Volunteer to gain experience** — UCSD Health (health.ucsd.edu/about/volunteer/Pages/opportunities.aspx), Alvarado Hospital Medical Center (alvaradohospital.com/About-Us/Volunteer-Opportunities.aspx)
- **Find an internship** — Rady Children’s Hospital San Diego (jobs.rchsd.org/internships), Family Health Centers of San Diego (fhcsd.org/volunteer-with-us), Sharp Healthcare (sharp.com/interns-fellows), CONNECT2Careers (C2CSD.org)
- **Further your education** — San Diego Continuing Education (sdce.edu/job-training/health-career-training), Healthcare Academy California (healthcareacademycalifornia.com), SDSU (ces.sdsu.edu/healthcare), UCSD (healthsciences.ucsd.edu/careers), Mesa College (sdmesa.edu/academics/academic-programs/medical-assisting.shtml), Miramar College (sdmiramar.edu/academics/pgms/BIOH)

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