Licensed Practical and Licensed Vocational Nurses

What do they do?

- Administer prescribed medications or start intravenous fluids, and note times and amounts on patients’ charts.
- Observe patients and provide basic care and treatments.
- They also answer patients’ calls, measure and record vital signs, and work as part of a health care team to assess patient needs.

What qualifications do they need?

Typically, licensed practical and licensed vocational nurses need previous nursing-related skills, knowledge, and/or experience. In addition, most occupations require training in vocational schools, related on-the-job experience, or an associate’s degree.

Wages and Job Growth

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<td>Licensed Practical and Vocational Nurses</td>
<td>12,160</td>
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SOURCE | NYCLMIS analysis of New York State Department of Labor, Occupation Employment Statistics.

Where would I go to get training?

Bronx Community College, Hostos Community College, LaGuardia Community College, Medgar Evers College, Mildred Elley School, Monroe College, Manhattan Adult Learning Center, Brooklyn Adult Learning Center, Coler-Goldwater Hospital, Clara Barton High School for Health, Curtis High School, and Hillcrest high School. (SOURCE | NYSED Office of the Professions).

What Kinds of companies do they work for?

Nursing care facilities, hospitals, physicians’ offices, home health care services, and city government.

Who are some of the largest employers in New York City?

- **Bronx.** Jacobi Medical Center, Lincoln Medical & Mental Hilth, Bronx Lebanon Hospital, Hebrew Home at Riverdale
- **Brooklyn.** Lutheran Medical Center, Coney Island Medical Center, Brooklyn Hospital Ctr, Woodhull Medical Center,
- **Manhattan.** Morgan Stanley Children’s Hospital, NY Presbyterian Columbia Med, Beth Israel Medical Center
- **Queens.** Elmhurst Hospital Center, Jamaica Medical Center, Queens Hospital Ctr, Flushing Hospital Medical Center
- **Staten Island.** Richmond University Medical Center, South Beach Psychiatric, Eger health Care Rehabilitation Center

SOURCE | New York State Department of Labor.

What job titles might employers use in help-wanted ads?

Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN), Charge Nurse, Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN), Clinic Licensed Practical Nurse (CLINIC LPN), Pediatric Licensed Practical Nurse (PEDIATRIC LPN), Clinic Nurse, Office Nurse, Private Duty Nurse, Triage Licensed Practical Nurse (TRIAGE LPN)