

25 BEST HEALTH PROFESSIONS and EXPECTED NEW JOB GROWTH THROUGH 2026

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Rankings are based on median salaries, unemployment rate, and job growth estimates.

	POSITION	MEDIAN SALARY IN THE U.S.	# OF NEW JOBS THROUGH 2016	TYPICAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS
1	Dentists	\$153,900	23,200	Doctor of Dental Surgery
2	Physician Assistants	\$101,480	39,700	Master's of Physician Assistant
3	Nurse Practitioners	\$100,910	56,000	Master of Science in Nursing
4	Orthodontists	\$208,000	1,100	Doctor of Dental Surgery
5	Pediatricians	\$168,990	5,300	M.D. or D.O.*
6	OB/Gyn's	\$208,000	3,900	M.D. or D.O.
7	Maxillofacial Surgeons	\$208,000	1,200	Doctor of Dental Surgery
8	General or Family Physicians	\$196,380	8,400	M.D. or D.O.
9	Occupational Therapists	\$81,910	27,700	Doctor of Occupational Therapy
10	Physical Therapists	\$85,400	60,000	Doctor of Physical Therapy
11	Anesthesiologists	\$208,000	5,900	M.D. or D.O.
12	General Surgeons	\$208,000	7,600	M.D. or D.O.
13	Psychiatrists	\$194,740	3,600	M.D.
14	Prosthodontists	\$126,050	200	Doctor of Dental Surgery
15	Registered Nurses	\$68,450	437,000	Bachelor of Science in Nursing
16	Respiratory Therapists	\$58,670	30,400	Associate's or Bachelor's
17	Nurse Anesthetists	\$160,270	6,700	Master of Science in Nursing
18	Optometrists	\$106,140	7,000	Doctor of Optometry
19	Podiatrists	\$124,830	1,100	Doctor of Podiatric Medicine
20	Veterinarians	\$88,770	14,400	Doctor of Veterinary Medicine
21	Radiation Therapists	\$80,160	2,300	Associate's or Bachelor's
22	Nurse Midwives	\$99,770	1,300	Master of Science in Nursing
23	Speech Language Pathologist	\$74,680	25,400	Master's of Speech Pathology
24	Pharmacists	\$122,230	17,600	Doctor of Pharmacy
25	Chiropractors	\$67,520	5,000	Doctor of Chiropractic
		\$132,050	792,000	
		Average of the Median Healthcare Salaries in the U.S.!	TOTAL Estimated New Healthcare Jobs in the U.S. through 2026!	

*M.D. = Doctor of Medicine

*D.O. = Doctor of Osteopathy

NOTE: Wages will differ between states and cities, and between health and medical facilities.

FULL REPORT: <https://money.usnews.com/careers/best-jobs/rankings/best-healthcare-jobs>

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