

Reference: National Certificate: Pharmacist Assistance (NQF Level 3) – SAQA Qualification ID 62249.

Pharmacist's Assistants course (Learner Basic) for Institutional/Hospital, Community and Distribution/Wholesale Pharmacy

The purpose of the Certificate qualification is to equip you to understand and acquaint yourself with the underlying principles of all the major areas related to the pharmaceutical environment. It will provide you with grounding in the relevant legislative and ethical requirements, as well as the basic technical skills required in this field. This qualification will also assist in skilling Pharmacist Assistants to support the pharmacist in providing a pharmaceutical service.

The duration of the course is 14 months. The training process will commence once a learner is registered with the School of Pharmacy (PTDP), the SAPC and when we have received 50% of the relevant fees.

The course consists of an orientation module and eight other modules for the Institutional/Hospital and Community sectors, and six modules for the Distribution/Wholesale sector.

Please select the category in which you wish to register, which depends on the type of pharmacy in which you are employed.

- Community Pharmacy
- Institutional/Hospital Pharmacy – public and private sector
- Distribution/Wholesale Pharmacy – public and private sector

Learners who wish to register for this qualification must be competent in

- Mathematical Literacy at NQF Level 2
- Communication at NQF Level 2

The minimum requirements for enrolling

- Grade 10 (Std 8) qualification
- A contractual arrangement within a pharmacy registered for training with the SAPC – be employed fulltime in a registered pharmacy and registered under an approved tutor

SAPC prescribes that all Pharmacists' Assistants undergoing training must do a minimum period of 12 months inservice training at the Basic level.