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## **EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED FOR A PHARMACY TECHNICIAN**

In response to your inquiry for registration as a Pharmacy Technician, North Dakota's requirements for Registration as a Pharmacy Technician are as follows:

### **61-02-07.1-03. Educational Preparation.**

1. To be eligible to be registered by the board of pharmacy as a pharmacy technician the person must have completed one of the following requirements:
  - a. Successful completion of an academic program approved by the board of pharmacy;
  - b. An on-the-job training program that is directed by the pharmacist-in-charge and approved by the board of pharmacy;

The only programs approved by the Board as of January 10, 2011, under both a. and b. above, are those Accredited by the American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists (ASHP).

**Pharmacy Technician Certification Board (PTCB) certification is required and must be obtained before registration for new technicians and must be obtained by current technicians by March 1, 2014. The only exception to this requirement will be for those technicians registered by August 1, 1995, who will continue to be grandfathered.**

A **copy** of the **official PTCB certificate** is required as proof of completion. Test results ARE NOT an accepted form of proof of completion. Passing the test is not a guarantee of certification. The test results also do not contain the individual's national certification number.

If you have not completed an American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists [ASHP] program, please contact Barbara Lacher at ND State College of Science in Wahpeton 1-800-342-4325 Extension 2114 or [Barbara.Lacher@ndscs.edu](mailto:Barbara.Lacher@ndscs.edu) . She will review your credentials and determine where you can be placed in their American Society of Health Systems Accredited Pharmacy Technician Program.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Board of Pharmacy Office.