

Metro Atlanta TOP JOBS

HEALTHCARE



Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Standard Occupational Classification Code: [292061](#)

Also known as: Charge Nurse, Clinic Licensed Practical Nurse (Clinic LPN), Clinic Nurse, Home Health Licensed Practical Nurse (Home Health LPN), Licensed Vocational Nurse (LVN), Office Nurse, Pediatric LPN (Pediatric Licensed Practical Nurse), Private Duty Nurse, Radiation Oncology Nurse, Triage LPN

Are you good at ...

- Displaying a good-natured, cooperative attitude?
- Showing concern for others?
- Paying attention to detail?
- Being reliable, responsible, and dependable?
- Being honest and ethical?

A Day in the Life

Being a Licensed Practical Nurse brings with it a great deal of responsibility and many responsibilities. Patient care, observing patients, charting and reporting changes in patients' conditions, such as adverse reactions to medication or treatments, and taking any necessary action is very important. You will administer prescribed medications or start intravenous fluids, noting times and amounts on patients' charts. You will provide basic patient care or treatments, such as taking temperatures or blood pressures, dressing wounds, treating bedsores, giving enemas or douches, rubbing with alcohol, massaging, or performing catheterizations. You will collect samples, such as blood, urine, or sputum from patients, and perform routine laboratory tests on samples. You will record food and fluid intake and output.

You will prepare or examine food trays for conformance to prescribed diet and help patients with bathing, dressing, maintaining personal hygiene, moving in bed, or standing and walking. You will prepare patients for examinations, tests, or treatments and explain procedures. You will make appointments, keep records, or perform other clerical duties in doctors' offices or clinics.

How do I get into this top job?

This job requires some college, more than a year but less than two years. It also requires licensing from the state. Training programs and tests may be expensive, but you might not have to pay for all of it yourself. If you are low income, ask your job coach, career counselor, training program, or workforce development specialist about assisting you with your training expenses. It might be free!



What they earn in Metro Atlanta:

Entry Wage: **\$15.43**
Median Wage: **\$20.58**



What makes this a Top Job?

They're in high demand. The Georgia Dept. of Labor estimates there will be 940 openings per year through 2026! Additionally, this job pays above average wages.



Educational Requirement



Postsecondary
Non-Degree Award



On-the-Job Training



None



Related Occupations

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