

The Medical Specialties degree program has several career options, including:

- Medical Assistant
- Pharmacy Technician
- Medical biller or coder.

Depending on the career option chosen, licensure or certification may be required for employment in some states for the graduates of this program.

General Disclosures – Medical Assisting

States in which licensure, certification, or registration is **not required** to work as a Medical Assistant:

Alabama	Kansas	North Carolina
Alaska	Kentucky	North Dakota
Arizona	Louisiana	Ohio
Arkansas	Maine	Oklahoma
California	Maryland	Oregon
Colorado	Massachusetts	Pennsylvania
Connecticut	Michigan	Rhode Island
District of Columbia (D.C)	Minnesota	South Carolina
Delaware	Mississippi	Tennessee
Florida	Missouri	Texas
Georgia	Montana	Utah
Hawaii	Nebraska	Vermont
Idaho	Nevada	Virginia
Illinois	New Hampshire	West Virginia
Indiana	New Mexico	Wisconsin
Iowa	New York	Wyoming

States in which Independence University's curriculum for the AOS Medical Assisting/Medical Specialties program **meets** the requirements for professional licensure, certification, or registration as a **Medical Assistant**:

Not applicable

States in which Independence University's curriculum for the AOS Medical Assisting/Medical Specialties program **does not meet** the requirements for professional licensure, certification, or registration as a **Medical Assistant**:

New Jersey
Washington

States in which Independence University has been **unable to determine** whether the curriculum for the AOS Medical Assisting/Medical Specialties program meets the requirements for professional licensure, certification, or registration as a **Medical Assistant**:

State	State Agency	State Agency Website
South Dakota	South Dakota Board of Medical & Osteopathic Examiners/ South Dakota Board of Nursing	http://www.sdbmoe.gov/
American Samoa	American Samoa Department of Health	https://www.americansamoa.gov/department-of-public-health
Virgin Islands	U.S. Virgin Islands Department of Health/ Board of Medicine	https://doh.vi.gov/programs/permits-licenses-and-certificates

General Disclosures – Pharmacy Technician

States in which Independence University's curriculum for the AOS Medical Specialties* program **meets** the requirements for professional licensure, certification, or registration as a **Pharmacy Technician**:

Alabama	Iowa	Oklahoma*
Alaska	Kansas	South Carolina
Arkansas	Kentucky	South Dakota*
Connecticut	Maine*	Tennessee
District of Columbia (D.C.)	Missouri	Vermont
Idaho	New Hampshire	
Illinois	New Jersey	

***Maine:** The State of Maine requires that you are/will be an employee of a Maine Pharmacy to obtain licensure.

***Oklahoma:** The State of Oklahoma requires that you are employed by a pharmacy in Oklahoma to obtain your permit.

***South Dakota:** The State of South Dakota requires that you be hired/employed in South Dakota as a pharmacy technician before you can apply for a technician registration..

States in which Independence University's curriculum for the AOS Medical Specialties* program **does not meet** the requirements for professional licensure, certification, or registration as a **Pharmacy Technician**:

Arizona	Michigan	Oregon
California	Minnesota	Rhode Island
Colorado	Mississippi	Texas
Delaware	Montana	Utah
Florida	Nebraska	Virginia

Georgia
 Indiana
 Maryland
 Massachusetts

Nevada
 New Mexico
 North Dakota
 Ohio

Washington
 Wyoming

States in which Independence University has been **unable to determine** whether the curriculum for the AOS Medical Specialties* program meets the requirements for professional licensure, certification, or registration as a **Pharmacy Technician**:

State	State Agency	State Agency Website
Louisiana	Louisiana Board of Pharmacy	http://www.pharmacy.la.gov/index.cfm?md=pagbuilder&tmp=home&pid=426
North Carolina	North Carolina Board of Pharmacy	http://www.ncbop.org/technicians_registrationregs.htm
West Virginia	West Virginia Board of Pharmacy	https://www.wvbop.com/practitioners/pharmtechs/application/index.asp
Puerto Rico	Puerto Rico Board of Pharmacy	Contact Information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Office: 787/765-2929 ext 6645 • Email: marileemaldonado@salud.pr.gov Norma Torres Delgado Executive Director Department of Health, PO Box 10200 San Juan, PR 00908 Email: norma.torres.delgado@salud.pr.gov
Virgin Islands	U.S. Virgin Islands Department of Health/ Board of Medicine	https://doh.vi.gov/programs/permits-licenses-and-certificates

States in which licensure, certification, or registration is **not required** to work as a **Pharmacy Technician**:

Hawaii
 New York
 Pennsylvania
 Wisconsin

General Disclosures – Biller/Coder

Based on our research, we do not believe there are any licensure/certification/registration requirements for employment as a Biller/Coder, but it is advisable to check with your state agency.

The licensure/certification/registration information on this page about **Pharmacy Technicians and **Biller/Coders** is applicable only to students in the Medical **Specialties** version of the Medical Assisting AOS program. Students enrolled in the Medical **Assisting** version of the program should refer only to the licensure/certification/registration information for Medical Assisting. If you are unsure which version of the program you are enrolled in, please contact the University.*