

# Physical Therapist Aide

**Aligned Program of Study:** Therapeutic Services, Rehabilitative Services

## Description

The Physical Therapist Aide (P.T. Aide) designation provides recognition for students who have the knowledge and skills to assist the physical therapist and the physical therapy assistant in the clinical setting. The P.T. Aide credential is recognized throughout Tennessee and the country. Physical Therapist Aides can be employed in hospitals, clinics, doctors' offices, and other sport or rehabilitation facilities. This credential is a great first step in the path to becoming a physical therapist.

## Preparing to offer the credential

Required Instructor Qualification

CTE teachers with a Health Science endorsement are eligible to prepare students for this credential.

Materials and Resources

Preparation material availability varies by test owner and vendor

<b>Materials, resources, registration, testing sites, test details, and prices vary by vendor.</b>	
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<b>Test Owner</b>	<b>Test Vendor</b>
<a href="#">American Education Certification Association AECA</a>	<a href="#">AECA</a>
<a href="#">American Medical Certification Association</a>	<a href="#">ProctorU</a>

## Other things to consider when selecting a test vendor

Accreditation is the process by which a credentialing or educational program is evaluated against defined standards and is awarded recognition if it complies with those standards. It is recommended that Health Science promoted industry credential providers are accredited.