Medical Jobs From Home

Jobs for nurses, doctors, writers, transcriptionists and more from home

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We’ve probably all read about how medical jobs are a growing career field. And while most medical jobs are onsite, the number and types medical jobs from home are expanding as well. Some types of nursing jobs (RN and LPN), in particular, are often telecommuted, but there are many more options in the medical field. Review these brief outlines of work-at-home medical jobs then click on the links for more information.

Medical Jobs From Home: Nurses

While most nursing jobs are place based, there are a growing number in telehealth—the practice of delivering health-related services by way of telecommunication technology—and other fields that can be done from a home office. The majority of the jobs listed below are for RNs, but some hire LPNs. For more details on qualifications, see this profile of types of work-at-home nursing jobs for RNs and LPNs.

- Medical call center agent
- Case management
- Legal nurse consultant
- Health care recruiter
- Project manager
- Nurse manager
- Online teacher
• Health IT/Nursing informatics specialist

Medical Jobs From Home: Medical Coding and Billing

Work-at-home medical billing and coding jobs are very often the bait in work-at-home scams, so you have to be careful when looking for these jobs. Typically you need on-site experience and in some cases, particularly coding, formal training and/or certification before working at home. (However, online training is another avenue for scammers. See more about online education for medical billing.) Insurance companies hire medical coders and billers as do companies that outsource these jobs for medical offices.

See a list of medical coding jobs and more about medical billing jobs.

Medical Jobs From Home: Medical Transcriptionists

Fast and accurate typing skills and familiarity with medical terms is what it takes to land a medical transcription job. While there are certification and training programs for medical transcriptionists, these are not absolutely required to land a job in this field. That said, whenever you want to work at home in a position that is often done in an office—as is the case with medical transcription—you may be required to have more than the minimum qualifications. So, certification and experience can help you land a work at home medical transcriptions job.

See list of medical transcription jobs.
Medical Jobs From Home: Call Center Jobs

While most of these call center jobs are for RNs, there are some medical-related customer service positions available for LPNs and others with medical backgrounds. Additionally, there are home-based positions for mental health professionals.

See list of medical call center jobs.

Medical Jobs From Home: Physicians

Physicians who want to work from home will most likely find part-time, supplemental positions, though there are some full-time telecommuting jobs for doctors. Physicians can use their experience and degree to find jobs teaching online, reviewing or writing medical content, or even practicing online. Insurance and research companies hire physicians for a variety of nonclinical positions, which may allow telecommuting.

See list of work-at-home positions for doctors.

Medical Jobs From Home: Medical Illustrators, Writers and Editors

Writers and editors often work from home on a freelance and occasionally employment basis, and those in the medical field are no exception. These medical jobs from home require both good writing skills and specialized knowledge in the medical field. Nurses, researchers and physicians often make the transition from clinical and onsite work to medical writers. Physicians might sit on an editorial board or work as an editorial adviser, reviewing the writing of others for medical accuracy.

People with backgrounds in general writing and editing can also be hired in specialized medical editing or writing jobs, but typically this is done in-house and not on a freelance basis. Once experienced as medical writers, these professionals may choose to cultivate a freelance, at-home career.

Medical illustrators very often work on a contract basis from home. Medical illustrators typically gain the needed knowledge of medicine and anatomy and art skills through specialized education.

See profile of a medical writer.
Medical Jobs From Home: Pharmacists

The vast majority of pharmacists work onsite, usually in a retail or clinical setting. There are a few companies that let pharmacist review and enter online prescriptions from home, but usually after transitioning from an onsite position. Insurance companies may hire pharmacists to oversee RX benefits programs, and these jobs may allow telecommuting. Pharmacists can also use their medical knowledge to break into other medical jobs from home that don’t usually require a pharmacy degree or licensure, such as medical writing or transcription. However, they are unlikely to pay as well.

See pharmacist career profile.

Medical Jobs From Home: Insurance
Insurance companies hire in a wide range of medical jobs, including jobs for physicians, nurses, case managers, pharmacists, medical coders and billers. In short nearly every jobs on this list. And, in general, insurance firms tend to be telecommute-friendly companies.

See list of work-at-home insurance jobs.