

Life's Journey: The Unexpected Career Path for Pharmacy Buyers

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Recognize opportunities **within** your network
- Identify opportunities **outside** of your network
- Able to list 3 ways you will be able to **enhance your knowledge** or **advance your career**

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Are you:

1. Actively looking for new career opportunities?
2. Considering looking for new career opportunities?
3. Not looking for new opportunities?

Poll Time!



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Started from the bottom...



SMALL TOWN
GIRL



CAN'T ALWAYS
GET WHAT YOU
WANT



YOU GET WHAT
YOU NEED

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SMALL TOWN GIRL

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Expectation:
Impressive Job/Career
Saturday Night Live

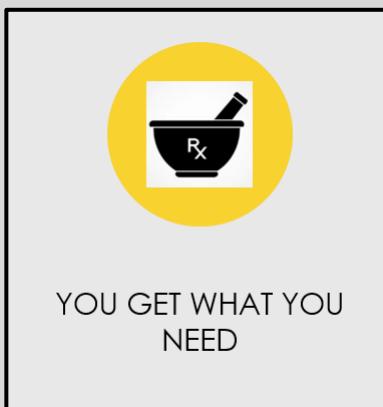


Reality:
Pharmacy Technician
◦ Retail/Inpatient
◦ Sr. Technician
340B Coordinator
Product Advisor
◦ Sr. Advisor



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Essential skills developed:

- Insurance discrepancies
- Chargeback encounters
- Medication understanding
- Customer service
- Medication compounding
- Hospital operations
- Medication journey
- Networking
- Presenting
- Data manipulation
- System level experience

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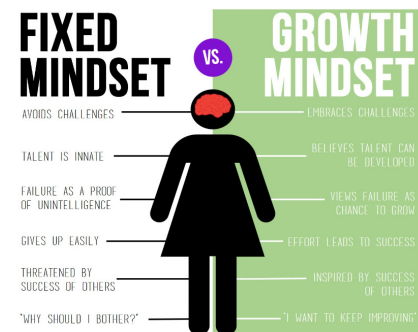
- USP
- Med Misadventures
- Shared Governance
- Mentor
- Employee Engagement
- ISO Internal Auditor
- Leadership Development



Hospital Committees & Groups

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- Educational Classes
- 340B ACE
- Employee Engagement
- Culture Connectors
- Professional Women in Healthcare
- DNA groups



Current Committees and Opportunities

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Onward and Upward

Keep an updated resume

- School applications, speaking engagements, networking

Maintain relationships

Be bold in intentions

- Step outside comfort zones
- Knowledge is power

LinkedIn

Educational Opportunities

- Learning is endless!



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EXPLORE YOUR HORIZONS



- Colleagues
- Members/Peers
- Certifications
- Memberships/Societies
- Newsletters



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Select an area that you will explore after hearing this presentation.

1. Internal Committees
2. Internal Education
3. External Memberships
4. Professional Certifications
5. Update my resume
6. Reach out to former mentor

Poll Time!



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