

Alternative Careers in Healthcare

Non-regulated: Management in Health Jobs

Medical Sales Representative/Account Manager

Overview	Achieve territory sales goals and performance, promote medical products and services with key opinion leaders, targeted specialists and healthcare professionals, know customers' needs and deliver solutions that benefit patients, develop, implement and execute a business plan and sales plan, communicate and collaborate with teams, maintain a current level of knowledge on assigned products and disease areas, analyze and report on sales, communicate plans, participate in meetings, review activities and budgets on a regular basis, develop relationships with and manage accounts with wholesalers, hospitals, pharmacy chains and others. Background in Health Sciences/Business is preferred usually. Experience with care providing may be preferred some time.			
NOC Code	Technical sales specialists - wholesale trade (6221)			
Alias Job Titles	Medical equipment and supplies salesperson; Medical instruments sales agent; Pharmaceutical sales representative; Pharmaceutical salesperson; Surgical supply salesperson; Ultrasonic equipment salesperson; Veterinary equipment and supplies salesperson;			
Qualifications Required	 Bachelor's degree, preferably in Health Sciences or business administration Master's degree in medical biotechnology/business might be preferred 			
Salary Range	Average hourly	Range hourly	Average yearly	Range yearly
	\$46.15	\$16.90 - \$78.46	\$90,000	\$32,955 - \$153,000
Job Demand	Medium Employment outlook is mostly good across provinces. More information are available here .			

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Growth opportunity	With experience higher sales/corporate positions can be obtained.		
Years' Experience Required	1-3 years of experience		
Training Options (if available)	There are professional master's programs at some Canadian universities that can be helpful: Examples include: 1. Master of Biomedical Technology (MBT)/ Combined Biomedical Technology and Business (MBT/MBA) at University of Calgary 2. Master of Medical Biotechnology (MMB) at University of Windsor 3. Master of Science, Applied Biotechnology at McGill University		
Personal Qualities	Ability to establish relationships with vendors, customers, colleagues; hospital or account sales experience; excellent communication, presentation, and interpersonal skills; results-oriented and customer focused; proficient in using computer for client data and product data tracking, and data analysis; ability to lead without authority; ability to collaborate effectively with various groups and commitment to teamwork; experience with relevant regulations		
Notes/Other Information	Need to be very hard working and dedicated. It is a highly competitive field. Following specialization is available: 1. Medical devices, 2. Medical equipment, 3. Pharmaceuticals 4. Biotechnology		
Steps towards capacity building to become competitive for this job	 Having experience is the key to find these jobs. Possible ways to gain experience may include: Job shadowing with an established medical sales rep Volunteering at doctor's office or at hospital Internships with medical sales companies Any other ways of sales related to medical fields Obtaining abovementioned master's degree with practicum should lead to some valuable experience 		

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