



APPALACHIAN DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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POSITION VACANCY

- Position Available:** Physician Extender II
405-48-0206
- Location:** Appalachian District Health Department
Sparta, NC
- Salary:** \$72,540- \$74,352
- Job Summary:** Provide primary care services to clients of Appalachian District Health Department Clinic.
- Major Duties and Responsibilities:** Gathers a complete or symptom specific age appropriate health history; performs complete or symptom specific physical examination; orders and interprets screening and diagnostic test; develops medical diagnosis and formulates a comprehensive, client specific plan of care; evaluates health outcomes; prescribes, administer and dispenses medications according to NC Law; practices under protocols that have been developed with and approved by a supervision physician; consults with a supervising physician per protocols; refers patients requiring specialty services to physicians, other health professionals or appropriate community resources; provides health education and counseling to patients and families as requested; serves as a consultant to other staff members by providing medical information and directing patient care management; participates as a multi disciplinary team member.
- Knowledge, Skills and Abilities:** Thorough knowledge of techniques of interviewing, medical and relevant history taking, principles and practices of general medicine and disease states as they relate to the area of work; thorough knowledge of health appraisal tools, laboratory tests and findings, materia medica, and therapeutic procedures as relate to the area of work; thorough knowledge and ability to plan a regime of care based on assessment and findings; considerable knowledge of available resources and appropriate referral methods. Skills in performing clinical functions. Skills in assisting with routine surgical procedures. Ability to examine patients and detect abnormalities; ability to record accurately and completely all information necessary to evaluate and plan care and to convey this to the physician; ability to communicate orally and in writing; ability to teach and

counsel individuals, families and groups in areas of health maintenance, preventative medicine, and care of the sick; and the ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with staff and to gain the confidence of patients and families and work effectively with them; some ability to plan and conduct inservice training programs.

Special Requirements: Current NC Licensure as RN and certification as a Nurse Practitioner by the NC Board of Medical Examiners or licensure as a Physician Assistant. Minimum of one year ambulatory care experience.

Other Requirements: Due to the nature of this position, a dependable vehicle and valid driver's license is required for travel within the District and other state required meetings as assigned. Must be able to work with interruptions, have the ability to work quickly and efficiently under pressure, and be able to deal with patients, co-workers, personnel with other agencies, and the public in a clear, courteous, and cooperative manner.

Minimum Training and Experience: Graduation from a Physician Assistant program approved by the N.C. Board of Medical Examiners and "approved to practice medical acts" based on education and experience by the Board of Medical Examiners, and preferably one year of experience as a extender; or graduation from an accredited Surgeon's Assistant Program of at least 24 months duration and "approved to practice medical acts: based on education and experience by the Board of Medical Examiners; or licensed as a Registered Nurse by the Board of Nursing, graduation from a Nurse Practitioner program approved by the N.C. Joint Subcommittee of the Board of Nursing and Board of Medical Examiners, and "approved to practice medical acts" based on education and experience by the Joint Subcommittee, and preferably one year of experience as an extender; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

Application Deadline: Until filled

Please submit a State Application to: Debbie Joines RN, Nursing Supervisor
Alleghany County Health Department
157 Health Services Rd
Sparta , NC 28675

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