

POSITION: Registered Nurse (Community Health Coordinator), VN-610-II**NUMBER OF VACANCIES:** One Full-time position**FUNCTIONAL STATEMENT:** Registered Nurse**TYPE OF APPOINTMENT:** Permanent**SALARY RANGE:** \$51,177 to 68,062 per annum.**NOTE 1:** Eligible employees may be non-competitively reassigned to fill this position as an exception to merit promotion.**NOTE 2:** This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be on a case-by-case basis.**NOTE 3:** This is a Bargaining Unit position.**NOTE 4:** First consideration will be given to those who apply no later than **October 21, 2004**, however this position will remain open until filled**LOCATION:** This position is located in the Home Based Primary Care Section of Rehabilitation & Long Term Care Division (R<C) in Vancouver WA, however, it may be necessary to use the selectee's services at different locations throughout the medical center.**TOUR OF DUTY:** The work schedule Mon-Friday 8-4:30 PM. The work conditions may require a change in the tour of duty, depending upon the needs of the Service.**AREA OF CONSIDERATION:** Current permanent employees of this medical center including Willamette National Cemetery, Regional Counsel and Veteran Outreach Center.***DUTIES:** The complete Functional Statement may be reviewed in Human Resources Management Division. The following duties and responsibilities are taken from the functional statement and are considered to be a brief extract. The Community Health Coordinator (CHC) practices in the R<C Division in Vancouver in an expanded scope of practice. The CHC provides direct patient care through the following activities: collaborating/consulting with interdisciplinary team members regarding discharge planning issues, acting as a resource/liason for exploring appropriate extended care options, and facilitating communication between health care providers and community resources. The CHC role functions include: staff education, assisting staff with community referral processes, providing case management, assisting community health agencies in obtaining services, and equipment and medical consultation for veteran patients. The CHC also functions as approval agent for VA funding of Home health and hospice services and as liaison for agency referrals.**QUALIFICATIONS:**

- A. Citizen of United States
- B. Graduate of a school of professional nursing approved by the appropriate State agency and accredited by one of the following accrediting bodies at the time the program was completed by the applicant: The National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) or The Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE).
- C. In cases of graduates of foreign schools of professional nursing, possession of current, full, active, and unrestricted registration and the possession of a Certificate from the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools (CGFNS) will meet the requirement of graduation from an approved school of professional nursing.
- D. Current, full, active and unrestricted registration as a graduate professional nurse in a State, Territory, or Commonwealth (i.e., Puerto Rico) of the U.S. or in the District of Columbia. The RN must maintain a current, full active and unrestricted registration to continue employment with the VA.
- E. RN's appointed to direct patient care positions must be proficient in spoken and written English as required by 38USC 7402(d) and 7407(d).
- F. For Nurse II, the applicant should have a BSN with 2-3 years of nursing experience **OR** an Associate degree or diploma in nursing and a bachelors degree in a related field and 2-3 years nursing experience **OR** a Master's degree in nursing or a related field with a BSN with 1-2 years of experience.
- G. Preferred candidate will have 1-2 years of active care experience

Well Qualified (CTAP/ICTAP): A well-qualified candidate is defined as one who meets the qualification and eligibility requirements for the position, including all educational/experience and selective factors (when applicable), and is able to satisfactorily perform the duties of the position upon entry.**EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** All qualified applicants will receive equal consideration without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, sex, politics, marital status, non-disqualifying physical or mental handicap, age or membership or non-membership in a labor organization.**HOW TO APPLY :** In order to be considered for this vacancy, interested employees must complete and submit VA Form 5-4078, Application for Promotion or Reassignment, to be received in Human Resources Management Division (P4HRMS). This form is available in Human Resources Management Division and on the internal Human Resources website. First consideration will be given to those who apply no later than **October 21, 2004** however; this position will remain open until filled.**HOW TO OBTAIN FORMS:**Forms are available online at www.va.gov/portland/hr**In Portland:**

VA Medical Center
 Human Resources Management Division
 3710 SW US Veterans Hospital Road, (Bldg. 100, Room 6C-12)
 Portland, OR 97239. Phone # (503) 273-5236

If Mailing:

VA Medical Center,
 Human Resources Management Division (P4HRMS)
 P.O. Box 1034
 Portland, OR 97207

Human Resources Management Division will not photocopy any application material; applicants are responsible for making photocopies prior to submitting applications. Applications must be received in Human Resources Management Division in the Portland office as listed above. **First consideration will be given to those who apply no later than October 21, 2004, however this position will remain open until filled.** Applications will not be returned to applicants. For additional information you may contact Personnel (503) 273-5236.