

Announcement No: T38-03-329

Opening Date: 4/2/03

Closing Date: Until filled

Department of Veterans Affairs

Medical Center

Portland Oregon

V a c a n c y A n n o u n c e m e n t

POSITION: Registered Nurse, AD/VN-610-I/II/III

NUMBER OF VACANCIES: Intermittent, part time, and full time positions

FUNCTIONAL STATEMENT: Registered Nurse

TYPE OF APPOINTMENT: Temporary/ Permanent

SALARY RANGE: Nurse I: \$41,177 to \$59,702; Nurse II: \$49,823 to \$66,257; Nurse III: \$54,305 to \$72,224 per annum, salary range and grade dependent on qualifications.

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: External applicants who have not been reviewed and approved by the professional nursing standards board will be given a temporary appointment not-to-exceed 13 months, pending board approval.

NOTE 4: A pre-employment physical examination may be required for an applicant not currently employed by the VA Medical Center who is tentatively selected.

NOTE 5: Fingerprinting by Human Resource staff will be required of all tentatively selected applicants as part of a pre-employment security background investigation.

NOTE 6: A drug test may be required for any applicant tentatively selected from outside the VA Medical Center

NOTE 7: First consideration will be given to those who respond by 4/15/03.

NOTE 8: Those who applied under announcement T38-02-135 and have not been considered or reviewed will be automatically considered under this announcement.

NOTE 9: If hired as a permanent employee this is a Bargaining Unit position, otherwise this is a Non-Bargaining Unit position.

TOUR OF DUTY: Tour of duty will vary depending on assignment.

LOCATION: This position is located in the Nursing Skilled Care Unit (skilled care wing and/or rehab wing), Rehabilitation and Long Term Care Division, Vancouver, WA, however, it may be necessary to use the selectee's services at different locations throughout the medical center.

AREA OF CONSIDERATION: First area of consideration will go to current permanent employees of this medical center including Willamette National Cemetery, Regional Counsel and Veteran Outreach Center. Second area of consideration will go to any qualified U.S. Citizen.

DUTIES: The complete Functional Statement may be reviewed in Human Resources Management Division. The following duties and responsibilities are taken from the position description and are considered to be a brief extract. The incumbent practices as a RN within the Nursing Skilled Care Unit (NSCU). The RN is accountable for care of a defined group of patients. The NSCU provides short term transitional care for patients who require skilled nursing care, close medical monitoring, and sub-acute rehabilitation. Patient populations include those with CVAs, neurologic disorders, liver transplants, diabetes, and other chronic or sub-acute medical conditions.

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 III, the applicant should have a Master's degree in nursing or related field with a BSN and 2-3 years of nursing experience **OR** a Doctoral degree in nursing or related field and 2-3 years of nursing 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 (First Consideration Applicants): 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. First consideration will be given to those who apply no later than 4/15/03, however this position will remain open until filled.

HOW TO APPLY (Second Consideration Applicants): In order to be considered for this vacancy, interested applicants must complete and submit:

- A. VA Form 10-2850a, Application for Nurse and Nurse Anesthetists
- B. OF-306, "Declaration for Federal Employment.
- C. DD-214, "Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty" (if claiming veterans preference and/or VRA eligibility).
- D. SF-15, "Application for 10-point Veteran Preference" (with required documentation for proof). (if applicable)

You may obtain these forms by contacting one of the Personnel Clerks at (503) 273-5236 or you may visit the Human Resources Management Division Office, Building 16, Room 300, 3710 SW US Veterans Hospital Road, Portland, OR 97207. You can return or mail your completed application to the above address **ATTN: Announcement T38-03-329.**

HOW TO OBTAIN FORMS:

In Portland:

VA Medical Center
Human Resources Management Division
3710 SW US Veterans Hospital Road, (Bldg. 16, Room 300)
Portland, OR 97207. 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 4/15/03, 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.

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