To: RIAPAN Members  
From: Susan DiBlasi

Date: July 26, 2020

Subject: RIDOH needs RNs

See email below from RIDOH

Good afternoon,

As part of the emergency response to the pandemic caused by COVID-19, the Rhode Island Department of Health (RIDOH) COVID-19 Epidemiological Operations Unit is looking to hire nurses, nurse practitioners, and other clinical staff to assist with various activities within the Unit. Duties will include but will not be limited to phone intake and triage, case investigation and contact tracing, outbreak response, isolation and quarantine guideline support, as well as training and professional development for other staff within the unit.

The position will last approximately 6-12 months and will be based on the needs of the COVID-19 response unit. Chosen candidates will be responsible for the following along with any related tasks that might arise during their employment:

1. Case investigation and contact tracing:
   * Oversee the quality of the case investigator work
   * Ensure completion of interviews according to RIDOH and the COVID-19 unit standards
   * Address complex case issues with contact investigators
   * Keep up to date on all the COVID-19 guidelines and changes
   * Utilize methods to review and determine areas for formal or informal professional development, training, coaching and mentoring.

1. Infection control- Provide clinical guidance and disease infection control/prevention guidelines to:

* Public health and state agency team members
* Healthcare providers and medical practices
* Care facilities such as daycares, nursing homes, home health care personnel, and group home leaders
* Business CEOs and HR personnel
* First responders such as EMS, fire and police municipal, and correctional/prison personnel

1. Clinical support & consultation:
   * Provide clinical consultation across teams as needed
   * Provide medical monitoring of clients on isolation as needed
   * Provide triage support for incoming calls from medical providers/practices, HR administrators, business heads, and the general public.
   * Work collaboratively with epidemiologists to support data management

Skills and Qualifications:

* A degree in nursing or related field with the accompanying licensure
* Strong communication skills, both written and verbal
* Proven track record of leading a team including developing training materials for new staff
* Basic computer skills including but not limited to Microsoft Office (word, excel, power point, teams), Office 365, and basic internet understanding
* Ability to be flexible and adapt to a fluid working environment
* Ability and willingness to work in across a variety of teams

First consideration will be given to candidates able to work 5 days a week including one weekend day although we will take into consideration candidates able to work at least 4 days per week.  Bilingual candidates are encouraged to apply.  Remote work will be considered after a 4-6 week training period, a competency assessment, and the emerging needs of the unit.

To be considered for these positions, please [complete this application](https://forms.gle/m5ECdAP4xHuoRURj6) (<https://forms.gle/m5ECdAP4xHuoRURj6>) as soon as possible. To help us increase our applicant pool and fill these positions quickly, please forward this email to any of your contacts who may be interested in this opportunity.

If you have any questions, please reply to this email. Thank you!

Best,

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