

# GUAM MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AUTHORITY JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

TO ESTABLISH A LIST FOR THE POSITION

## HOSPITAL UTILIZATION REVIEW SPECIALIST

### AREA OF CONSIDERATION – OPEN COMPETITIVE

OPEN: May 24, 2022

CLOSING DATE: CONTINUOUS

ANN. NO.: 22-69

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OPEN: N-01 \$45,014.00 to N-10 \$61,796.00 per annum  
PROMOTION: N-01 \$45,014.00 to N-18 \$79,338.00 per annum

#### MINIMUM EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:

- A. Graduation from a recognized college or university with a Master's degree in Healthcare, Health Sciences, Nursing or other related field, and two (2) years of experience in the implementation of hospital or health care quality improvement programs; or
- B. Graduation from a recognized college or university with a Bachelor's degree in Healthcare, Health Science, Nursing or other related field and three (3) years of experience in the implementation of hospital or health care quality improvement programs; or
- C. Graduation from a recognized college or university with an Associate's degree in Healthcare, Health Sciences, Nursing or other related field and five (5) years of experience in the implementation of hospital or health care quality improvement programs.

#### DESIRABLE AFFILIATION/CERTIFICATION:

Possession of certification as a certified professional in a healthcare quality (CPHQ) program through the National Association for Healthcare Quality Certification Board.

#### NATURE OF WORK:

This is complex professional work involved in developing, implementing and coordinating hospital utilization review programs and activities relating to patient care and support services.

#### MINIMUM KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES, AND SKILLS:

- Knowledge of the principles, practices, methodologies and theories of Utilization Review Program pertinent to quality patient care.
- Knowledge of the methods of prevention and control of communicable and infectious diseases.
- Knowledge of medical terminology as used in the diagnosis and treatment of hospital patients.
- Knowledge of CMS coding, terminology as used in billing of patient services.
- Knowledge in hospital wide utilization review activities, facilitate modification to clinical documentation, review all admission and continued stays for medical necessity and appropriateness of admission status.
- Ability to plan and coordinate patient utilization review programs and activities in the hospital.
- Ability to evaluate patient services and recommend changes to enhance quality patient care.
- Ability to interact with physicians, nursing staff, and other patient care givers.
- Ability to review outpatient and inpatient admissions and/or other services; concurrent review and discharge planning for all patients admitted to acute and/or skilled nursing facilities; retrospective review for services not pre-certified and/or reconsiderations.
- Ability to interpret, apply and make decisions in accordance with professional standards, policies, procedures and other guidelines as they apply to quality patient care.
- Ability to work effectively, orally and in writing.
- Ability to maintain records and prepare reports.
- Ability to become a Certified Professional in Healthcare Quality (CPHQ) through the National Association for Healthcare Quality.

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**EXAMINATION REQUIREMENTS:** A written test may be required. When a written test is not required, applicants will be rated on a scale between 70.00 and 100 percent on the basis of their training, education and experience in relation to the minimum requirements of the positions. **Individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations should contact this office prior to any scheduled examination.**

**EDUCATION REQUIREMENT:** Applicants claiming education accomplishment, such as, degrees or credits are required to submit official or verified copies of university or college transcripts. Pursuant to Public Law 29-113, effective September 30, 2008, all new employment in the service of the government of Guam shall have, as a reasonable measure of job performance, minimum requirement of high school diploma or a successful completion of General Education Development (GED) test or any equivalent of a general education high school program, apprenticeship program or successful completion of certification program, from a recognized, accredited or certified vocational technical institution, in a specialized field required for the job.

**CMS OMNIBUS COVID-19 HEALTHCARE STAFF VACCINATION REQUIREMENT:**

Pursuant to CMS regulation, all eligible staff, both current and new, working at either the acute hospital or the Skilled Nursing Facility, are required to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19. The CMS mandate applies to all eligible staff working at almost all CMS-certified facilities that participate in the Medicare and Medicaid programs. This includes facility employees, licensed practitioners, students, trainees, vendors, contractors and volunteers. Additionally, this includes individuals who provide care, treatment, or other services for the facility and/or its patients under contract or other arrangements, even at a third party location.

**DRUG SCREENING AND PRE-EMPLOYMENT PHYSICAL MEDICAL EXAMINATION:**

All applicants tentatively selected for this position are required to submit to a urine test to screen for illegal use of drugs prior to appointment. All applicants accepting employment with Guam Memorial Hospital Authority must take and pass a pre-entry Physical examination and COVID screening and show proof of COVID vaccination.

**PRIMARY SOURCE VERIFICATION:** Applicants applying for positions in the Nursing and/or Allied Health Professional positions requiring licensure pursuant to Public Law 24-329 or National Credentialing Institution must obtain a verification of licensure upon notification of selection as a condition of employment. All cost incurred for licensure/ certification verification is at the applicant's expense.

**VETERANS' PREFERENCE:** Applications claiming veteran's preference are required to provide a copy of their DD-214 (Military discharge member 4 form). Those claiming Compensable Disability are required to provide verification from the Veteran's Administration.

**DISABILITY PREFERENCE:** Applicants wishing to claim Disability Preference should submit a Government of Guam Disability Certification form, certified by the Director of Public Health & Social Services.

**POLICE AND COURT CLEARANCE:** Pursuant to Executive Order No. 2005-34 and Public Law No. 28-24, all applicants accepting employment with Guam Memorial Hospital Authority must submit a police and Superior Court of Guam clearance of no more than 3 months old from the date of notification of selection as a condition of employment. The cost of the clearances is the applicant's responsibility. Off-Island applicants must obtain clearances from their last place of resident.

**AREA OF CONSIDERATION AND INTERVIEW PROCESS:**

A personal interview, interview by telephone or video conferencing will be held by the appointing authority or his designee for eligible candidates referred via certification. Certification for interviews are prepared from valid eligibility listings in accordance with the area of consideration or examination and in the following order if available: 1) Departmental; 2) Government-wide; and 3) Open Competitive. Candidates will be contacted accordingly during active recruitment when their names are reached on the appropriate list.

**Important Note: Individuals with disabilities who require special accommodations should contact this office prior to any scheduled interviews. If traveling off-island and/or if contact information has changed, all eligible candidates are responsible for notifying the Human Resources Office of any changes in contact information to include email and mailing addresses.**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** Public Law 99-603 (8USC, Section 1324A) requires the Government of Guam to verify the identity and work eligibility of all newly hired employees. All new employees shall be required to provide proof of identity and work eligibility to work in the United States.

If you are hired to fill a position in the Government of Guam, you will be required to present valid documents that will establish your identity and work eligibility.

**WHERE TO APPLY:** Applicants must submit the "Government of Guam - Employment Application - Form A" to the Guam Memorial Hospital Human Resources Department between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. Closed on official Government Holidays, Saturday and Sunday. To ensure full consideration of your application, all supporting documents must be submitted with the application. For further information, call 647-2409/2171 or visit the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Human Resources Department at 850 Gov. Carlos Camacho Road Oka, Tamuning, Guam 96913. The Human Resources Department is located on the first floor within the Administration offices or visit the "gmha.org website" for other employment opportunities.

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**APPROVED:**



**LILLIAN Q. PEREZ-POSADAS, MN, RN  
Hospital Administrator/CEO**

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