



HOWARD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE JOB POSTING
POSITION: CORRECTIONS NURSE (LPN OR RN)
HOURS: 2pm-10pm
PAY: \$52,258.00 ANNUAL

Corrections Nurses provide care to inmate patients to promote and improve their overall health utilizing the nursing process in triage and day to day care, while respecting cultural and religious practices of the inmates.

This position will require the nurse to be knowledgeable in assessing chronic health conditions, including but not limited to, AIDS, substance abuse, mental illness, renal failure, terminal illnesses, hepatitis and infectious diseases. In addition, inmates often have complicated or unknown medical histories, requiring the nurse to have strong organizational and fact-finding skills.

The nurse must be able to come across confident and professional when dealing with staff and inmates. Inmates, particularly, can mistake shyness or lack of confidence as an opportunity to take advantage of the nurse.

This position will require strong decision-making skills while working under potentially stressful situations.

RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Initial triage and intake (assessing alcohol/drug intoxication and withdraw)
- Checks/records vital signs
- Monitor daily glucose levels of diabetics and supply insulin to them 4x's daily
- Wound care: apply surgical dressings and bandages, remove staples & sutures
- Provides emergency first aid care/ repond to emergency codes
- Provides education
- Assists physicians when seeing inmates and assists with medical treatments
- Order, set up and account for all medications for inmate administration
- Coordinates care for mentally ill inmates with outside agencies to ensure proper continuum of care
- Charts all care information concisely, accurately and completely, in a timely manner, and in the appropriate format.
- Promotes a therapeutic environment to ensure inmates are treated in a professional, ethical, and tactful manner.
- Upholds HIPAA regulations
- Punctual and dependent for assigned/confirmed shifts
- Complete assessments for opiate/Vivitrol treatment (per guidelines)

- Coordinate medical insurance applications for inmates who are uninsured
- Administer injections, perform lab draws, and other nursing duties as needed
- Secures medical records from outside sources to facilitate inmate care
- Schedules outside doctor appointments as needed for required specialty care.
- Works with jail physician coordinating inmate care.
- Responds to inmate medical questions/requests in writing daily
- Works alternating weekday/weekend on-call schedule

PHYSICAL DEMANDS:

- Ability to lift twenty pounds (20lb). Moving, lifting, or transferring of inmates may involve lifting of up to fifty pounds (50lb); as well as assist with weight of more than one hundred pounds (100lb)
- Ability to stand for extended periods
- Visual acuity (due to environment)
- Exposure to physical violence and deployment of chemical agents

EDUCATION:

- Graduate of an accredited RN/LPN program
- Current RN/LPN license, in good standing with the State Licensing Board
- Proficient in AED and Anaphylaxis applications
- CPR Certified
- Proficient in giving injections and drawing blood
- Cognitive skills as related to the position
- Minimum of 2 years RN/LPN experience, correctional preferred.

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Please submit your resume to Christina.kline@howardcountyin.gov