

**Department of Veterans' Affairs
Employment Opportunity**

Pharmacist

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Open to: The Public

Location: Department of Veterans' Affairs, 287 West St., Rocky Hill 06067

Job Posting Number: 109370

Hours per week: 28

Work Schedule: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., with a one-half hour unpaid lunch

Salary: \$35.60 per hour

Closing Date: January 26, 2015

Examples of Duties: Interprets physician's prescriptions and determines appropriateness of medication's indications for drug interactions and allergies; works with considerable independence under limited technical supervision to complete assignments and resolve problems; selects, compounds and dispenses drugs and other pharmaceutical products; instructs patients in use of medications and maintains patient drug profiles; maintains updated knowledge of drugs and pharmacy requirements; evaluates patient drug regimen, medical and laboratory data; researches medical literature and pharmaceutical databases to support drug therapy decisions; ensures compliance with established guidelines for use of high risk medications; reviews, assesses and maintains patient drug therapy profiles to comply with expected level of care; develops a corrective plan of action and communicates recommendations to physician in charge; evaluates medication distribution and administration system for accuracy and assesses real or potential failures of system and documents findings; provides technical training to pharmacy support staff in preparation, packaging, dispensing and delivery of medication and all daily pharmacy processes; maintains inventories and records on prescriptions, pharmacy requisitions, controlled drugs and expiration dates as required by law or pharmacy committee policy; participates on interdisciplinary teams and provides pharmacological input on review of patient care; participates in committees, conferences and seminars for purpose of maintaining professional skills and disseminating information in fields of pharmacology and pharmaceuticals; may be required to assume responsibility for operation of pharmacy in absence of Pharmacy Supervisor; performs related duties as required.

Minimum Qualifications Required Knowledge, Skill and Ability: Considerable knowledge of principles of pharmacy and pharmacology and application to operation of an institutional or hospital pharmacy; considerable knowledge of contemporary drug therapeutics; knowledge of relevant state and federal laws, statutes and regulations; knowledge of pharmaceutical economics; knowledge of documentation, quality assurance and security requirements for HCFA, Joint Commission on Hospital Accreditation (JCOHA) and other accreditations and certifications; considerable interpersonal skills; considerable oral and written communication skills; ability to conduct inservice training programs on proper care, dosage and administration of drugs; ability to negotiate with prescribing physicians to avoid adverse drug interactions and control expenses through use of generic alternatives; ability to impose adequate controls over supply, dispensing and flow of narcotics, depressants and stimulant drugs and alcohol.

Experience and Training:

Incumbents in this class must possess and maintain licensure as a Registered Pharmacist issued by the Connecticut State Department of Consumer Protection in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes, Section 20-590.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. Incumbents in this class in some positions will be required to work overtime, on-call and rotating schedules.
2. Incumbents in this class may be required to travel.

Note: The filling of this position will be in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion and merit employment rules, if applicable.

Application Instructions: Qualified candidates who meet the above requirements should submit a cover letter and completed State Application for Employment CT-HR-12. Current state employees should attach your last two (2) Performance Evaluations. **Applications already on file for posting 109370 will be considered. Please do not re-apply.**

Submit your information to:

**Department of Veterans' Affairs
Human Resources
287 West Street
Rocky Hill, CT 06067
Fax (860) 616-3536**

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