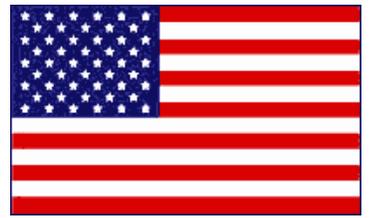




# PORTLAND VA MEDICAL CENTER

*Portland, Oregon Division  
Vancouver, Washington Division  
Community Based Outpatient Clinics  
Salem, OR Bend, OR  
Camp Rilea (Warrenton, OR)*



## **NOTICE OF VACANCY**

<b>1. <u>Announcement Number</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>T38-09-0051-JB</b></p>	<b>2. <u>Title, Series, Grade, Salary</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physician Assistant (Cardiopulmonary) FS AD/VN-603-11/12/13 \$57,161 to \$105,918 per annum (Based on full-time employment)</b></p>	<b>3. <u>Tour of Duty</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>7am – 3:30pm M-F</b></p>	<b>4. <u>Duty Station</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Operative Care Division, Portland Division</b></p>
<b>5. <u>Type &amp; Number of Vacancies</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Permanent 1 Full-time position</b></p>	<b>6. <u>Contact</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Human Resources Assistant 503-273-5236</b></p>	<b>7. <u>Opening Date</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>12/31/08</b></p>	<b>8. <u>Closing Date</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>01/21/09</b></p>

**WHO MAY APPLY TO THIS ANNOUNCEMENT:**

- Career or career conditional employees and permanent Title 38 employees of the Portland VA Medical Center eligible under the interchange Agreement. Included are permanent employees of the Willamette National Cemetery, Regional Office, Veterans Outreach Center and Veteran's Canteen.
- Any US Citizen

**MAJOR DUTIES:**

The incumbent is responsible for screening clinics for referrals into the Cardiopulmonary Section under supervision and guidance of the supervising physician or their alternates. Do history and physical examinations of outpatients. Make presumptive diagnoses and order laboratory tests and x-rays to complete the workup. He will follow through with the disposition of cases by brining cases to the Cardiopulmonary Clinic staffed by residents and staff, by appropriate referrals of non-service connected patients to outside care if the patient has resources to make this possible, or by referral to OHSU of appropriate cases with Medicare coverage who are not service connected. The incumbent will perform history and physical examinations on patients admitted to the hospital and will write appropriate admitting orders. The incumbent will perform independent ward rounds as well as daily war rounds with attending or residents. The incumbent will care for post-operative patients in accordance with established protocols of the section of Cardiopulmonary surgery.

**THIS POSITION IS IN THE BARGAINING UNIT**

**QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

- Eligibility:** Department of Veterans Affairs Qualifications Standards (VA Handbook 5005, Part II, Appendix G8) for AD/VN-603 series applies and may be reviewed in the Human Resources Management Service Office.
- Current active license as a Physician's Assistant in the State of Oregon.
  - Certification by the National Commission on Certification of Physician's Assistants (NCCPA).
  - Graduation from a PA program certified by the ARC-PA

**CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT:**

- Although the duty station is shown in this announcement, it may be necessary to utilize the selected person's services at a different location within the Portland VA Medical Center commuting area if conditions require it in the future
- Under Executive Order 11935, only United States citizens and nationals (residents of American Samoa and Swains Island) may compete for civil service jobs. Agencies are permitted to hire noncitizens only in very limited circumstances where there are no qualified citizens available for the position.
- All information submitted to this VA Medical Center is subject to verification by VetPro.
- If you are a male born after December 31, 1959, and are at least 18 years of age, civil service employment law (5 U.S.C. 3328) requires that you must register with the Selective Service System, unless you meet certain exemptions.
- A security clearance and a favorable suitability determination are required. Misconduct in prior employment, criminal, dishonest or disgraceful conduct, habitual use of intoxicating beverages, abuse of narcotics, drugs or other controlled substances, or reasonable doubt of loyalty to the United States are examples of reasons an offer of employment may be denied.
- Eligible employees may be non-competitively reassigned to fill this position as an exception to merit promotion.
- A drug test may be required for an applicant who is tentatively selected.
- This is a developmental position. If selected below the target level, employee may be promoted without further competition upon satisfactory completion of qualification and eligibility requirements.
- A pre-employment physical examination will be required for an applicant who is tentatively selected.
- Applicants appointed to direct patient care positions must be proficient in spoken and written English as required by 38USC 7402(d) and 7407(d).
- [VACareers](#) has descriptions of all Title 38 Jobs and their benefits.
- This agency provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you need a reasonable accommodation for

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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

- The United States Government does not discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, age, membership in an employee organization, or other non-merit factor.
- It is the policy of the Department of Veterans Affairs that all Federal wage and salary payments are paid to employees by Direct Deposit/Electronic Funds Transfer (DD/EFT).

#### **HOW TO APPLY:**

**Portland VAMC Permanent Employees** must submit a

1. [VAF 4078, Application for Promotion or Reassignment](#)

**Other VA Permanent Employees** must submit

1. [VA Form 10-2850c, Application for Associated Health Occupations](#)
2. [OF-306, Declaration for Federal Employment](#) (January 2001 version or later).
3. Latest SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action
4. Copies of all current licenses
5. Latest performance appraisal

**Non VA Applicants** must submit:

1. [VA Form 10-2850c, Application for Associated Health Occupations](#)
2. [OF-306, Declaration for Federal Employment](#) (January 2001 version or later).
3. Veterans Preference:
  - a. DD-214, Military Discharge Paper (member copy #4 for July 1979 or later editions) (For 5 Point Veteran's Preference).
  - b. [SF-15, Application for 10-point Veteran Preference](#) (December 2004 version or later)
  - c. VA letter of service-connected disability rating dated 1991 or later.
4. SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action (if applying as a current or former federal employee).
5. Copies of all current licenses.
6. A copy of your college transcripts (Optional unless education is required).

**All application packets must be received in Human Resources by Close of Business (COB) on 01/21/09.** Application forms may be obtained in Human Resources Office or on our external website, <http://www.visn20.med.va.gov/Portland/mc/hr>

*Applications may be mailed to:*  
Portland VA Medical Center, P4HRMS  
**Attn: T38-09-0051-JB**  
PO Box 1034  
Portland, OR 97207

*Or brought in person to:*  
Portland VA Medical Center  
3710 SW US Veterans Hospital Rd  
Building 16, Room 300  
Portland OR 97239

#### **APPLICANT'S PLEASE NOTE:**

- Education must be accredited by an accrediting institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education in order for it to be credited towards qualifications (particularly positions with a positive education requirement.). Therefore, applicants must report only attendance and/or degrees from schools accredited by accrediting institutions recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.
- Applicants can verify accreditation at the following website: <http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/index.html>. All education claimed by applicants will be verified by the appointing agency accordingly.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT APPLICANT'S RESPONSIBILITY:**

- It is the applicant's responsibility to submit documentation to support his/her application for this position. Applicant is responsible for ensuring that all experience, formal training, award recognition, etc. are documented in the application package. Experience may include voluntary or other non-paid experience in the appropriate field. If you feel that your training record contains information pertinent to your qualifications, then you must submit a printed copy of your training record with your application package. Your training record will become part of the specific vacancy file and will not be filed in Official Personnel Folder. Human Resources Management Division will not photocopy any application material; applicants are responsible for making photocopies prior to submitting applications.
- **It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure timely receipt of the application, regardless of the method used for submission. The VA assumes no responsibility for the late delivery of applications (i.e. postal service delays). The Portland VA Medical Center will not accept FAX, or emailed applications or applications in a US government envelope.**