



# 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>T38-10-0177-SJ</b></p>	<b>2. <u>Title, Series, Grade, Salary</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Physician (Internist Clinician- Researcher) FS AD-602-15 \$97,987 to \$195,000 per annum,</b>          Dependent upon qualifications and          experience.          (Based on full-time employment)</p>	<b>3. <u>Tour of Duty</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>M-F Work conditions may require some rotation in tour of duty</b></p>	<b>4. <u>Duty Station</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Hospital and Specialty Care Division, Portland, OR</b></p>
<b>5. <u>Type &amp; Number of Vacancies</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Temporary 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>05/21/2010</b></p>	<b>8. <u>Closing Date</u></b>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>08/18/2010 1<sup>st</sup> consideration date 06/03/2010</b></p>

**WHO MAY APPLY TO THIS ANNOUNCEMENT:**

- Career or career conditional employees, Veteran's Canteen Service and permanent Title 38 employees of the Portland VA Medical Center eligible under the interchange Agreement.
- Any US Citizen
- **First consideration date is 6/03/2010.** After the first consideration date, applications will then be referred in intervals. If the position is filled before the closing date the vacancy will be closed.

**MAJOR DUTIES:**

The incumbent will function as a "clinician-researcher" and will spend a substantial portion of his/her time in funded investigational programs. The incumbent will be a co-investigator in the VA Patient Centered Medical Home Demonstration Laboratory. His/her responsibilities will include developing methodologies for conducting a comprehensive needs assessment of VA primary care clinical staff. This work requires expertise in measurement methods and substantial experience in applying qualitative and survey methodologies to complex program evaluations. This work also requires high-level knowledge of clinical practice micro-systems, quality improvement methods, and micro-system team dynamics. The incumbent will need to interact with other scientists working on the project and will need to possess excellent communication skills. The incumbent also may have other major administrative responsibilities for the project.

The incumbent provides direct comprehensive patient care in an outpatient and/or hospital setting to adults with acute and chronic medical conditions and serves as a consultant to other physicians. The incumbent evaluates and manages adolescents and adults who have single or multiple disorders in all of the subspecialties in the broad field of internal medicine. General internists provide care to patients in primary, secondary, and tertiary care settings.

**THIS POSITION IS IN THE BARGAINING UNIT**

**QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS:**

**Eligibility:** Department of Veterans Affairs Qualifications Standards (VA Handbook 5005, Part II, Appendix G2) for AD/VM-602 series applies and may be reviewed in the Human Resources Management Service Office.

- Must be a citizen of the United States.
- Must have a Degree of doctor of medicine or an equivalent degree resulting from a course of education in medicine.
- Must provide evidence of an active, current, full and unrestricted license to practice Medicine or Surgery in a State, Territory or Commonwealth of the U.S. or the District of Columbia.
- Must be board-certified or board eligible in Internal Medicine.
- Applicants must have demonstrated success with collaborative interactions and interpersonal skills and must be fluent in the English language.

**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.

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- 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.
- Public transit subsidy benefits are available. Carpooling assistance is provided. However, single occupancy parking is limited on main Portland campus.
- A drug test may be required for an applicant who is tentatively selected.
- 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 38 USC 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 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 10-2850 Application For Physicians, Dentists, Podiatrists, and Optometrists](#)
2. Curriculum vita should be enclosed as additional information
3. [OF-306, Declaration for Federal Employment](#) (January 2001 version or later).
4. Latest SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action
5. Copies of all current licenses
6. Latest performance appraisal

**Non VA Applicants** must submit:

1. [VA Form 10-2850 Application For Physicians, Dentists, Podiatrists, and Optometrists](#)
2. Curriculum vita should be enclosed as additional information
3. [OF-306, Declaration for Federal Employment](#) (January 2001 version or later).
4. 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.
5. SF-50, Notification of Personnel Action (if applying as a current or former federal employee).
6. Copies of all current licenses.
7. 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 06/03/2010 for first consideration. This vacancy closes 8/18/2010.** 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: T38-10-0177-SJ**  
 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.
- Foreign Education: To receive credit for education completed outside the United States, you must show proof that the education has been submitted to a private organization that specializes in the interpretation of foreign educational credentials and such education has been deemed at least equivalent to that gained in conventional U.S. education programs.

#### **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.**