Physician Specialist – Medical Director, Antelope Valley Rehabilitation Center

The Los Angeles County (LAC) Department of Public Health is seeking candidates with strong leadership skills to fill this vacancy in the Division of Substance Abuse Prevention and Control (SAPC). Los Angeles County is one of the largest local jurisdictions in the U.S. and requires innovative and targeted approaches to effectively address substance use disorders (SUD) for its residents.

SAPC is a large public health division within the Department of Public Health, with an annual operating budget of over $385 million and over 350 staff positions. It is responsible for leading and facilitating the delivery of a full spectrum of prevention, treatment, and recovery support services for substance use and abuse throughout the County. SAPC has a network of approximately 150 provider agencies spread out over 400 sites across the County, and is in the process of transforming its system of care through the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Waiver, a component of the broader 1115 Medicaid Waiver that will significantly enhance the access to and quality of publicly-funded SUD services.

POSITION SUMMARY
The Antelope Valley Rehabilitation Center (AVRC) Medical Director position is an administrative and clinical position that will report to the SAPC Medical Director and Science Officer and serve as clinical leadership for the County-operated residential treatment facility, the AVRC. In this role, the AVRC Medical Director will shape program policy, planning, and development, assist with workforce development and clinical supervision/training, provide direct clinical services, and assist SAPC leadership with special projects and assignments. In doing so, this individual will have the opportunity to transform the County’s only residential treatment facility, and work with SAPC leadership to shape the delivery of SUD treatment and recovery support services for residents of one of the largest and most diverse specialty SUD systems in the nation.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES
- Provide medical leadership to the County-operated residential treatment facility, Antelope Valley Rehabilitation Center (AVRC), including the development of policies and procedures to facilitate quality and evidence-based service delivery, leading quality improvement efforts, leading clinical meetings, working with AVRC leadership to develop strategies to enhance service delivery, assisting with workforce development and clinical supervision/training, and providing direct clinical services.
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- Provide clinical addiction services in the form of Medications for Addiction Treatment (MAT), withdrawal management, etc. to help facilitate recovery for AVRC clients.
- Provide training and technical assistance to AVRC staff and SAPC leadership and staff on clinical issues related to the delivery of SUD services, such as the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) Criteria, evidence-based practices, medication-assisted treatment, medical necessity, and other clinically related issues.
- Advise and assist the SAPC Medical Director and Science Officer and staff with routine and one-time assignments, audits, special studies, and critical reviews of policies, procedures, medical records and clinical practices.
- Advise and perform reviews and critical analyses of adverse events, Reportable Incidents, client safety reports, and assess for appropriateness and thoroughness of care provided within the system of care based on departmental policies, clinical care standards, laws and regulations, and recommend methods of achieving compliance and improving client care.
- Assist with providing professional consultation to the leadership of SAPC, AVRC, contract providers, and other County staff and agencies regarding the interpretation of laws, regulations, and standards governing licensing, accreditation, and certification for Medi-Cal, Quality Improvement, Risk Management, and in various acceptable methods of maintaining, improving, or modifying operations.
- Collaborate with external agencies and County partners on projects and studies related to care integration and care coordination, substance use disorder services for special populations such as youth/criminal justice/homeless/co-occurring populations/etc., focused topics such as prescription drug abuse, and other projects related to the delivery of substance use disorder services.
- Follow established policies and procedures within their scope of practice. Comply with licensing and accreditation standards and other regulatory requirements. Interpret and support standards and requirements to others, and completed other assignments, as assigned.

Los Angeles County offers its employees a comprehensive and competitive benefits package. Starting salary for the position is dependent on qualifications, specialty, and salary history.

For more information about these positions, please contact gtsai@ph.lacounty.gov.

To apply
Submit a cover letter and resume to the address below AND fill out the Physician Specialist (Various Specialties) application at https://www.govemntjobs.com/careers/lacounty/jobs/1216849/physician-specialist-non-megaflex-various-specialties

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Note that the online application is for physicians filling various positions in the Department but does not include information specific to this position.