



**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
CHILDREN'S MEDICAL SERVICES**

**CHILD WELFARE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSING PROGRAM (CWPHNP)
HEALTH CARE PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE (HCPCFC)
VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT**

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE (PHN)

POSITION INFORMATION:

4060 Watson Plaza Drive
Lakewood, CA 90712

EXAMPLE OF DUTIES:

The Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care (HCPCFC) is a public health nursing program working in partnership with the Department of Children and Family Services to provide public health nurse (PHN) expertise in meeting the medical, dental, mental and developmental needs of children and youth in out of home placement. PHNs consult and collaborate with foster care children's social workers (CSWs) to promote access to comprehensive preventive health and specialty services.

The HCPCFC PHN provides the following services in consultation and collaboration with social workers and probation officers.

- Provide medical care coordination for children and youth in the Los Angeles County foster care system, assuring that these children and youth out of home of parent obtain timely comprehensive assessment, and follow-up on their medical care.
- Expedite referrals for medical, dental, mental health and developmental services
- Advocate for the health care needs of the children and youth.
- Assist with development of health care plans for the children and youth.
- Provide consultation to CSWs and deputy probation officers regarding health care resources and guidance in prioritizing health needs for the children.
- Provide medical education through the interpretation of medical reports and training for foster team members on the special health care needs of children and youth in foster care.
- Provide joint home visits with the Children's Social Workers in DCFS as needed.
- Provide consultations to social workers regarding health care resources and guidance in prioritizing health needs for children in foster care.
- Establishes, implements, and evaluates quality of care being provided to foster care population
- Provides program oversight and monitoring for children and youth in child welfare.

DESIRABLE QUALIFICATIONS:

- Pediatric experience
- Public Health Nursing field experience
- Desire to work with the child welfare foster care population
- Ability to work independently
- Quality assurance/improvement experience specific to data collection & analysis and focus reviews.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS:

- A license to practice as a Registered Nurse and a Public Health Nurse Certificate issued by the California Board of Registered Nursing and a valid California Class C Driver License
- Must currently be a permanent Los Angeles County employee who holds the payroll title of Public Health Nurse.

Applications will be accepted until position is filled. Interested individuals should submit a cover letter, resume, and the last two (2) Performance Evaluations, *via E-mail to:*

Children's Medical Services - HCPCFC
Child Welfare Public Health Nursing Program – Foster Care
Contact: Tracy Carter @ 626-569-6505
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**This position will be filled as qualified candidates are interviewed.
Only the most qualified applicants will be called for interview.**