

Nurse Practitioner and Laboratory Director STD/STI Testing Center

About Us:

The Pride Center of Maryland is a vibrant and inclusive community organization dedicated to serving and supporting the LGBTQ+ community in the state of Maryland. With a mission to foster a sense of belonging, promote equity, and provide vital resources, the center offers a safe and affirming space for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. Through a wide range of programs, events, and services, including counseling, education, advocacy, and social activities, the Pride Center plays a pivotal role in promoting awareness, acceptance, and empowerment within the LGBTQ+ community and its allies. It serves as a beacon of hope and solidarity, working tirelessly to create a more inclusive and equitable future for all Marylanders.

Job Description:

We are seeking a compassionate and dedicated Nurse Practitioner to join our team at the STD/STI Testing Center. As a Nurse Practitioner in this role, you will play a crucial part in our mission to provide accessible, confidential, and non-judgmental care to individuals seeking STD/STI testing and treatment. If you are passionate about sexual health, patient education, and preventive care, we invite you to apply and make a meaningful impact on the well-being of our community. This is an annual contract position that consists of 20 hours of clinical supervision monthly.

Responsibilities:

- Conduct comprehensive patient assessments to evaluate STD/STI risk factors and symptoms.
- Assist in process of obtaining CLIA (Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments)
- Provide training to staff surrounding counseling and education to patients regarding safe sex practices, STD/STI prevention, and treatment options.
- Order and interpret diagnostic tests, including STD/STI screenings, blood tests, and cultures.
- Offer emotional support and address the psychosocial aspects of STD/STI diagnosis and treatment.
- Collaborate with other healthcare professionals, including nurses, physicians, and counselors, to coordinate patient care and referrals.
- Maintain accurate and up-to-date knowledge of current STD/STI guidelines, treatment protocols, and emerging trends.
- Follow infection control protocols to ensure a sterile and safe testing and treatment environment.

- Maintain strict patient confidentiality and adhere to HIPAA regulations.
- Document patient encounters, treatment plans, and follow-up care in a timely and organized manner.
- Collaborate with laboratory services to ensure accurate and timely test results.
- Keep abreast of changing healthcare regulations and maintain licensure and certifications.
- Provide guidance around culturally sensitive care and address the unique needs of diverse patient populations.

Qualifications:

- Master's or Doctorate in Nursing (NP) from an accredited program or Bachelor of Science in Nursing or Health Administration,
- Current Nurse Practitioner license in the state of Maryland.
- Current Board of Certification Nursing license in the state of Maryland.
- Board certification as a Nurse Practitioner specializing in Family Practice or Adult-Gerontology.
- Previous experience in sexual health, reproductive health, or STD/STI management is preferred.
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills, with a non-judgmental and empathetic approach to patient care.
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively in a team-oriented environment.
- Proficiency in electronic health record (EHR) systems.
- Commitment to maintaining patient confidentiality and adhering to ethical and legal standards.
- Knowledge of state and federal regulations related to STD/STI testing and treatment.
- CPR/BLS certification may be required.
- Willingness to undergo background checks and drug screenings as required by the employer.

Contract Duration:

- 1 Year Period
- 10 hours a Month
- \$40 to \$45 hourly

How to Apply:

Interested candidates are encouraged to submit their resume, a cover letter, and proof of state licensure showing their qualifications and passion for sexual health, and three professional references to Evans Cooper at evans@pridecentermd.org.

Application Deadline:

Oct 31, 2023

Equal Opportunity Employer:

The Pride Center of Maryland is an equal opportunity employer. We celebrate diversity and are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees and patients regardless of race, ethnicity, sex, gender, sexual orientation, and or disability.