

Vacancy Quantity: 1 FTEE

Announcement Number: 09-67R

Location Facility: Jesse Brown VA Medical Center

Position Title: Registered Nurse
Infection Control Nurse (ICN)

Tour of Duty: Day Tour with scheduling flexibility

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Closing Date: Position may be filled after 1/26/2010

Position Summary: The ICN is a Registered Nurse who serves as an integral member of the health care team to provide care for patients with stable and unstable infection control issues, standards, guidelines and treatment modalities. The ICN responsibilities include but are not limited to: identifying and analyzing routine surveillance data throughout the Medical Center; presents surveillance data to appropriate clinical groups; identifies and analyzes public health issues and their impact on patient care throughout the medical center; initiates and implements specific performance improvement measures for infection control; serves as an active member of the Infection Control Committee; serves as a resource to patients and other staff in addressing ethical care issues; actively participates as a patient advocate; evaluates resources for implementing infection control measures and takes action as appropriate; works collaboratively with all levels of healthcare professionals. The incumbent will identify, reduce, and prevent health care related infection/colonization in patients by identifying risks and implementing effective infection prevention and control measures based on current standards and/or recommendations.

Position Requirements:

- Current, active, unrestricted license as a registered nurse
- BSN required, MSN preferred
- 1-2 years recent Infection Control experience required
- Infection Control Certification preferred
- Excellent interpersonal skills
- Works well with interdisciplinary team
- Demonstrated leadership, self-directed and rational problem solving skills
- Documented evidence of good communication skills written, oral, and computer
- Five (5) years of progressively responsible professional nursing practice with acute medical, surgical, nursing experience.
- Demonstrated ability to accurately implement VAMC policies, regulations, standards of care and standards of practice.

Application Procedures:

Interested internal nurses must submit:

- a) A memo of intent through their nurse Manager/supervisor to Larry Barlow, Administrative Officer, Nursing Service (118), Jesse Brown VAMC.
- b) Resume
- c) Most recent evaluation