

POSITION DESCRIPTION

TITLE: Director, Clinical Quality Improvement

REPORTS TO: Director, Practice Development Division

SUMMARY: Oversees development of American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) therapeutic guidance documents and serves as an advocate on clinical quality improvement initiatives with various public and private sector organizations. Provides guidance to ASHP members, staff and external stakeholder organizations regarding therapeutics, patient care services of pharmacists, patient safety and quality.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Guides content development for ASHP therapeutic position statements, guidelines and professional policies in the area of therapeutics; assists in coordinating publishing and dissemination activities for therapeutic guidance documents.
- Serves as a key interface and advocate on therapeutic and quality improvement initiatives with various public and private sector organizations and government agencies including the IOM, NQF, Joint Commission, AHQA, FDA, AHRQ, CMS, NCQA, USP, IHI, NPSF and others.
- Reviews, analyzes and advises staff, members and external stakeholder organizations on the implications of proposed standards, guidelines, regulations and other initiatives by various organizations that impact therapeutics, patient care services of pharmacists, patient safety and quality.
- Leads or assists in the development of comment letters, testimony, presentations, white papers and educational programming.
- Provides leadership of, or participates in, ASHP member task forces or standing committees and internal staff committees on topics related to therapeutics or pharmacy practice, as assigned.
- Develops strategies, programs and products that assist ASHP members with implementing practice standards and other best practices into pharmacy practice.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES (CONTINUED):

- Conducts regular environmental scans of scientific literature and policies related to pharmacotherapeutics, health care quality, and societal medication use.
- Provides strategic advice to ASHP on products, services, and educational programs with respect to pharmacotherapeutics and health care quality. Serves as a liaison to other ASHP divisions involved in drug information and therapeutics for the purposes of sharing information and ensuring consistency of work.
- Participates in ASHP public relations and media outreach efforts.
- Performs other duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- Doctor of Pharmacy degree or B.S./M.S. with extensive clinical experience required.
- Completion of an ASHP-accredited post-graduate year 1 residency, or equivalent experience, required.
- Five (5) years experience working on clinical quality improvement efforts in a hospital, professional association, government agency, or other related setting preferred.
- Exceptional oral and written communication skills required; previous publishing experienced preferred.
- Strong analytical and problem-solving skills.
- Ability to build and maintain positive professional relationships and networks.
- A strong commitment to teamwork and consensus building.

CLASSIFICATION: Exempt

Position Supervisor's Signature

Corporate Supervisor's Signature

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