# **ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES**

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## **Infection Control Nurse**

### Arizona State Hospital

The Infection Control Nurse will act as a liaison to all hospital departments and units, and will assist in the facility-wide program for the surveillance, prevention and control of infection. This role includes implementation, surveillance, collection of data, analysis, reporting and formulation/review of policies and procedures. The individual in this role will coordinate the implementation of measures to reduce the risk of transmission of infection to patients, staff, visitors, volunteers, and others. The Infection Control Nurse will participate in Root Cause Analysis for potential nosocomial outbreaks, along with aggregating and analyzing infection related data. This role will provide Infection Control orientation and continuing education to staff.

This position offers a hiring incentive along with a comprehensive benefit package.

## **KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, & ABILITIES**

#### Knowledge of:

- Medical terminology and procedures
- CMS regulations, Joint Commission standards, and State licensing rules
- Principles of infection control and pharmacology
- Concepts of performance improvement and quality assurance activities; and, Basic computer programs and software related to the health record
- Knowledge of the performance management (PM) model and continuous quality improvement (CQI) and Lean Methodologies.

#### Skills in:

- Excellent oral and written communication skills as well as strong interpersonal skills to interact with patients, professional and paraprofessional staff, as well as outside agencies/medical facilities/ medical providers
- Computerized electronic medical record
- Microsoft office products, and general office equipment
- Interpretation of policies, procedures and protocol
- Maintaining nursing standards consistent with the philosophy, objectives and standards of the Agency and the Arizona Nurse Practice Act.

#### **Abilities:**

- Analyzing complex data
- Preparing and presenting educational materials for patients, families and staff
- Problem solving abilities
- Functioning independently and prioritizing assignments
- Adapting quickly to changing priorities and remaining calm in stressful situations/emergencies
- Handling multiple tasks simultaneously
- Working with all levels of staff (from unit/department based to administrative/leadership)
- Supporting a diverse multi-cultural workforce that reflects the community, promotes equal
  opportunity at all levels of public employment, and creates an inclusive work environment
  that enables all individuals to perform to their fullest potential free from discrimination.

### BENEFITS

The State of Arizona provides an excellent comprehensive benefits package including:

- Affordable medical, dental, life, and short-term disability insurance plans
- Top-ranked retirement and long-term disability plans
- Accrued vacation pay and sick days
- 10 paid holidays per year
- Deferred compensation plan
- Credit union membership
- Wellness plans

### **EMPLOYMENT REQUIREMENTS**

This position requires incumbent to have and maintain a current Arizona RN license. Infection Control Certification or knowledge of principles of and ability to obtain certification. Employment for this position is contingent upon passing a medical/physical examination. A State Hospital employee must be able to obtain a valid Level One Fingerprint Clearance Card pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1758.07.

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