Clinical Pharmacist – Infectious Diseases/Antimicrobial Stewardship
Rhode Island Hospital, Providence RI

**Position Summary:**
The Department of Pharmacy is seeking a pharmacist specialist whose primary role will be providing infectious disease (ID) focused pharmacotherapy services to hospitalized patients.

Position activities include:

- Provides direct pharmaceutical care services by promoting the safe and effective use of anti-infectives
- Coordinates and maintains the antimicrobial stewardship (AMS) program in collaboration with the AMS physician. These responsibilities include, but are not limited to:
  - Conduct daily AMS activities including prospective patient review and feedback
  - Generate and analyze process and measures for antimicrobial stewardship related patient outcomes
  - Report on applicable AMS metrics, including antimicrobial utilization and identify opportunities to optimize antimicrobial use and patient care
  - Participate in anti-infective/AMS quality improvement projects in collaboration with pharmacy, infectious diseases, clinical microbiology, infection prevention, and quality
  - Assist in developing and maintaining the anti-infective formulary, anti-infective guidelines and use evaluations, infectious disease related clinical pathways, and order sets
  - Serves as an active member of the Antimicrobial Stewardship Program Committee and Infection Prevention Committee

- Education-related activities include:
  - Serves as a preceptor to pharmacy residents and students
  - Provide didactic lectures to pharmacy, nursing, and physician assistant students
  - Provide in-services to pharmacists, providers, nurses, and other healthcare staff

- Serves as a liaison between the Department of Pharmacy and Division of Infectious Diseases
- Maintain competency in the pharmacy dispensing system through participation in practice coverage in the inpatient pharmacy. Weekend rotation is typically every 4th weekend.
- Demonstrates ongoing professional development including meeting continuing education requirements, keeping abreast of current literature as it relates to clinical, financial and safety outcomes in the area of infectious diseases and antimicrobial stewardship
▪ Contributes to pharmacy practice and medical community through research project presentations at state/national meetings and/or publication in reviewed journals. Specialist may serve as a mentor on resident research projects.

**Job Qualifications:**

▪ Graduate of an accredited College of Pharmacy, Doctor of Pharmacy degree preferred
▪ Licensed to practice pharmacy in the State of Rhode Island or eligible for licensure
▪ Completion of a PGY-1 pharmacy practice residency and PGY-2 residency or 2-year fellowship in infectious diseases
▪ Antimicrobial stewardship experience. Strong interest in antimicrobial stewardship required.
▪ Ability to function independently and collaboratively within a team setting. Highly motivated, effective communication, problem solving, organizational skills required.

**Reporting Structure:**
The infectious diseases clinical pharmacist reports to the Director of Pharmacy and collaborates closely with the Antimicrobial Stewardship Director. Other key collaborators include antimicrobial stewardship pharmacists, senior clinical pharmacist, pharmacists, infectious disease physicians, microbiology and infection control departments. This individual will also interact with other various departments including but not limited to information technology, administration, physician groups, and nurses.

**For more information or interest in applying for position please contact:**

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**About Rhode Island Hospital and Antimicrobial Stewardship Program (ASP):**
A not-for profit organization, Lifespan is Rhode Island’s first healthcare system committed to providing patient-centered care. Lifespan health system has five hospitals in Rhode Island including Rhode Island Hospital, The Miriam Hospital, Hasbro Children’s Hospital, Bradley Hospital, and Newport Hospital. Lifespan Hospitals utilized Epic for their electronic medical record system.

Rhode Island Hospital is an acute care hospital and the principal teaching hospital of The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University. At 719 beds, Rhode Island Hospital is the state’s largest and only Level 1 trauma and accredited burned centers. Rhode Island Hospital
provides comprehensive diagnostic and treatment services including but limited to oncology, cardiology, diabetes, emergency medicine, neurosciences, and orthopedics.

The Antimicrobial Stewardship Program (ASP) at Rhode Island Hospital was implemented in 2014 and encompasses a multi-disciplinary approach. The antimicrobial stewardship subcommittee was subsequently developed with representation from the Division of Infectious Disease, Pharmacy, Infection Prevention and Microbiology from ASPs across Lifespan hospital affiliates, including Rhode Island Hospital. Prospective audit and feedback (including blood culture review) and restricted antibiotics are core strategies for the ASP. The ASP works closely with pharmacy, microbiology and infection control.

**Additional Information:**
- Lifespan Health System
  https://www.lifespan.org/about-lifespan
- Rhode Island Hospital
  https://www.rhodeislandhospital.org/
- Infectious Diseases Division at Rhode Island Hospital
  https://www.lifespan.org/centers-services/infectious-diseases
- Lifespan Pharmacy
  https://www.lifespan.org/centers-services/lifespan-pharmacy