



Career Posting – Foreign Language Interpreter

The Community

AppHealthCare serves the vibrant communities of Alleghany, Ashe, and Watauga Counties nestled in the beautiful Blue Ridge Mountains in Northwestern North Carolina. Take a quick look around and witness the many expressions of community pride and southern hospitality – a smile from someone walking downtown, a thriving culinary scene, and plenty of outdoor adventure. We experience the beauty of four seasons from white fluffy snow to colorful fall foliage. There is simply something special about these mountains and quaint small-town feels – come see for yourself!

Caring for Our Community

We are a local public health department and health center focused and committed to improving our communities' health and well-being through compassionate, high-quality care. We have about 120 full/part-time employees and about 10 contract employees. We are governed by two boards that provide strategic direction and oversight of agency functions. We have received numerous awards and distinctions for the care we provide and have recently achieved accreditation with honors. We are committed to caring for our community and providing excellent customer service.

Position: Foreign Language Interpreter

Position #: 405-04-907

Location: Alleghany County Health Department, 157 Health Services Rd,

Sparta, NC 28675, with the potential to travel to any district office

location (Alleghany, Ashe, and Watauga County) as needed.

Salary: \$34,262 - \$54,236

Starting salary is determined by education and experience.

Hours: Full-time, 5-day workweek, Monday – Friday, 8 am – 4:45 pm.

Potential to work outside normal hours for client needs, special

events, or public health emergencies.

Closing Date: Open until filled

Job Summary: This position serves as a Foreign Language Interpreter at the

Alleghany County Health Department. This position will fill a critical

role in the department by providing medical interpretation to

Spanish-speaking clients seeking a variety of services. In addition, the

position will be part of a great front office team and will complete a variety of administrative functions for clinical public health services, translation for clinical appointments, assisting with medical records, and scheduling medical appointments for all clients. The successful candidate in this position will also be using an electronic health record daily to manage work tasks.

Major Duties & Responsibilities

The employee will ensure that all services, communications, documentation, etc., associated with a program are provided in the client's native language as mandated by law, program guidelines, or needs. The employee will provide verbal interpretation of all information shared between staff and clients/parents/caregivers, etc. The work of an interpreter involves translating all written materials, and employees serve as a point of contact for clients. The employee may coordinate transportation, arrange referrals to local services and resources; interpret test items, programmatic information, or results of evaluations; conduct interviews to obtain program or personal data, and/or assist management in monitoring the accuracy of translating/interpreting services. The employee will assist clients to ensure that appropriate services are determined, offered, received, or given.

Knowledge, Skills & Abilities

- Certified Medical Interpreter and if not obtained prior to employment, willingness to obtain this certification within one year of employment expected.
- Working knowledge of the program area, regulations, policies, procedures, etc. assigned.
- Considerable knowledge of the ethics of interpreting.
- Skill in fluency sufficient to meet the needs of the organization and the population served.
- Ability to interpret/translate all verbal information and written materials in English and the foreign language.
- Ability to assess the communication skill level of the client and exercise judgment in determining services to be rendered.
- Ability to understand and interpret information in the various dialects of that language.
- Ability to relay the style and tone of that language.

Minimum Education & Experience

High school or General Educational Development (GED) diploma and two years of experience in interpreting and translating English and the required foreign language in a setting that requires a knowledge of the programs or service; or an equivalent combination of education and experience.

How to Apply

Complete an NC State Government Application for Employment (PD-107). The application is located on the NC Office of State Human Resources website. The application can be completed in hard copy or electronically.

A completed state application, including cover letters and resumes/CVs, should be sent to Human Resources by email to <u>careers@apphealth.com</u> or dropped off in person at the AppHealthCare Alleghany Health Center at 157 Health Services Road in Sparta, NC.

Benefits

We offer a variety of paid and voluntary employee benefits including retirement plans, health insurance, life insurance, paid parental leave annual and sick leave, and more. For more information about benefits, <u>visit our website</u>.

AppHealthCare recruits team members who share our values of Integrity, Drive, Resilience, Service, and Community and actively support the overall public health mission of the agency.

AppHealthCare is committed to providing equal employment opportunity (EEO) to all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, national origin, political affiliation, physical or mental disability, age, veteran's status, family medical or genetic information, sexual orientation, gender status, pregnancy, gender identity or other non-merit based factors. All recruitment and selection activities will be administered according to EEO principles, to have a diverse workforce that reflects the population of the communities the District serves.

AppHealthCare is a recovery-friendly workplace.