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Healthcare Virtual Hiring Fair April 21

Pre-event workshops teach how to use the virtual platform to connect with employers

Vancouver, Wash. (April 6, 2021) – To help individuals searching for jobs in healthcare connect with companies that are hiring, several organizations in Southwest Washington and neighboring Oregon have joined together and are hosting a virtual hiring event Wednesday, April 21, 2021, from 2 to 5 p.m.

The event is free. Job seekers can register at https://bit.ly/3fxzSLs and are encouraged to upload a resume.

Nearly 40 healthcare companies from across the region, including Southwest Washington, Multnomah County, Washington County and Clackamas County, are seeking new employees for current openings. Opportunities will vary from entry-level to licensed, certified, and experienced healthcare professionals, as well as both patient and non-patient roles. Recruiters representing health systems, clinics, dental, pharmacy, behavioral health and long-term care will be available to speak/video chat directly with job seekers.

The event uses a platform called Brazen. A brief video about the technology is available on the registration page. In addition, WorkSource is holding workshops in the days before the event to provide guidance on how to use the system so job seekers can successfully use the platform to connect with employers.

Register for a workshop to prepare for the virtual hiring and learn how to navigate the system:

- April 14 from 10 11 a.m. https://bit.ly/39uylle
- April 19 from 1 2 p.m. https://bit.ly/3ma8yE9

Job seekers with questions should contact Rebecca Budahl at RBudahl@esd.wa.gov or 360.735.4955.

Job seekers should prepare for the event as they would for an in-person interview and be prepared to speak with hiring representatives. Those new to virtual technology may want to practice with their computers to get comfortable on camera.

This event is sponsored by <u>Workforce Southwest Washington</u>, <u>Worksystems, Inc.</u>, <u>Clackamas Workforce Partnership</u> and hosted by <u>WorkSource</u>.

Companies will have open jobs listed at their virtual booth during the event. Forty companies will have representatives at the event to speak with job seekers, including:

Health Systems – Providence, Legacy Health, Kaiser Permanente

Serving businesses, job seekers and youth in Clark, Cowlitz and Wahkiakum counties.



- Long-term Care Arbor Ridge, Prestige, Rose Villa, Willamette View, Marquis, Brookdale, HCR Manor Care, Community Home Health and Hospice, Amada Senior Care, HomeWatch Caregivers, Avamere
- **Clinics** Children's Community Clinic, University of Western States Health Center, Wallace Health, AFC Urgent Care, Virginia Garcia
- **Behavioral Health** Cascadia Behavioral Health, New Narrative, Central City Concern, Rainier Springs Behavioral Health Hospital, Columbia River Mental Health
- Pharmacies Kaiser Dental, Walgreens, Consonus
- Staffing Express Health Care, Aerotek, Abbot and Associates
- Others Planned Parenthood, MetroWest Ambulance, CareOregon, Cambia Health Solutions, WorkSource Vancouver, WorkSource Portland

At the event, job seekers can also visit the WorkSource booth to learn about resume help, workshops and other available job search and training services.

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Workforce Southwest Washington (WSW), a nonprofit organization, funds community prosperity by investing in services that help individuals gain skills to obtain good-paying jobs or advance in their careers and help companies attract, train and retain workers. Our investments strengthen the region's businesses and contribute to a strong economy. Since 2003, we've invested more than \$100 million in Southwest Washington. WSW is the Local Workforce Development Board (LWDB) designated by federal Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) legislation to oversee the public workforce system in Cowlitz, Wahkiakum and Clark counties. Learn more at www.workforcesw.org.

WorkSource is a statewide partnership of state, local and nonprofit agencies that provides an array of employment and training services to job seekers in Washington State. Customers access services electronically through www.WorkSourceWA.com or a network of more than 60 WorkSource centers and affiliate sites across Washington State. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the WorkSource centers in Kelso and Vancouver are providing services virtually, including job search support, funding for job retraining, workshops and classes, connections to housing, childcare, transportation, food assistance and other support services. View information about the Southwest Washington WorkSource centers at www.workSourceSWWA.com.

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