

### JOB DESCRIPTION

**POSITION TITLE:** Provider Relations Specialist

**POSITION NO: 1484** 

#### **JOB SUMMARY**

The Provider Relations Specialist works in cooperation with the Contracting Manager – Marshfield Clinic Health System Provider Network and other department and organization colleagues to deliver superior service to our comprehensive network of affiliated health care providers. This individual serves as the primary liaison between Security Health Plan (SHP) and affiliated providers for escalated and contractual issues across various lines of business, with limited supervision. The Provider Relations Specialist is responsible for relationship management activities for hospital, professional, vendor, care system and/or ancillary providers including: development and execution of issue escalation strategies, educational programs, onsite visit criteria, special initiatives, and building and preserving strong provider relationships.

# **ESSENTIAL JOB FUNCTIONS**

- 1. Oversees moderately complex provider relations and service interactions within Security Health Plan (SHP), including claim or policy questions related to contractual terms, provider portal enhancements, provider payment set up, and provider education program development, with limited supervision.
- 2. Serves as main point of contact for affiliated providers across all lines of business, and is a resource for moderately complex operational issues to ensure provider has positive interaction.
- 3. Has proficient understanding of SHP product lines, markets, and affiliated provider contractual terms, including complex reimbursement and value based terms.
- 4. Develops the content and maintenance of the Provider Manual, Provider Newsletters and other provider correspondence and collateral material.
- 5. Organizes and conducts meetings with affiliated physicians, hospitals, ancillary providers and vendors to maintain relationships, conduct regulatory site visits, provide education, identify potential issues for improvement, and relay updated contractual information, such as value based contracting outcomes.
- 6. Collaborates to educate providers when SHP implements vendor solutions that impact providers, and assists with resolution of identified issues.
- 7. Investigates and develops plan to resolve escalated provider issues, complaints and contractual payment inquiries of moderate complexity, as well as provider non-compliance with National Committee for Quality Assurance (NCQA) standards by coordinating data analysis to identify root cause of concern, while maintaining documentation of such activities.
- 8. Maintains documentation of provider relations policies and procedures, as well as provider quality of care and service complaints, working collaboratively with Health Services to resolve such complaints.

- 9. Assists with process documentation and project work for NCQA, Health Effectiveness Data and Information Set (HEDIS), and other accreditation requirements to ensure SHP meets its regulatory compliance.
- 10. Assists with SHP's application and credentialing process to maintain compliance with industry standards and SHP organizational goals.
- 11. Participates on assigned committees and meetings to provide ongoing feedback using market conditions, industry trends, and provider insights.
- 12. Builds relationships that nurture provider partnerships.
- 13. Regular attendance is required in order to carry out the essential functions of the position.
- 14. Reviews and meets ongoing competency requirements of the role to maintain the skills, knowledge and abilities to perform, within scope, role specific functions.

# **ADDITIONAL DUTIES**

1. Other duties as assigned.

# **JOB QUALIFICATIONS**

#### **EDUCATION**

For positions requiring education beyond a high school diploma or equivalent, educational qualifications must be from an institution whose accreditation is recognized by the Council for Higher Education and Accreditation.

**Minimum Required:** Associate degree or 60+ credits in health care, business, marketing, education, or related field.

**Preferred/Optional:** Bachelor's degree in business administration, accounting, health care, finance, or related field.

# **EXPERIENCE**

Minimum Required: Three years' experience in a medical group practice or health insurance/Health Maintenance Organization (HMO) environment. Experience with healthcare claims and insurance reimbursement methods, and understanding of contract terminology. Working knowledge of health care delivery systems and concepts of managed care. Demonstrated proficiency with the Microsoft Office suite. Excellent written and verbal communication skills. Demonstrated ability to take initiative, utilize critical thinking, and bring forth solutions to identified issues.

**Preferred/Optional:** Experience in provider relations, including well-defined communication skills and a demonstrated aptitude for communicating with both business users and technical staff. Strong interpersonal, problem solving and relationship building experience. Credentialing or claims experience preferred.

# **CERTIFICATIONS/LICENSES**

The following licensure(s), certification(s), registration(s), etc., are required for this position. Licenses with restrictions are subject to review to determine if restrictions are substantially related to the position.

Minimum Required: None

# Preferred/Optional: None

# PATIENT POPULATIONS SERVED

Individuals hired are expected to serve patients of different ages, backgrounds, etc. When performing the essential functions of the role, the individual must identify the patient age group to be served and apply the appropriate care based on the patient's age and background. The hiring manager is responsible for communicating the patient population generally encountered in the role and is responsible for ensuring the appropriate cultural, age and related training needed to serve the patient populations.

Check appropriate patient age group(s) served or select "Not Applicable"								
☐ Infant	☐ Toddler	☐ Child	☐ Adolescent	☐ Adult	☐ Older Adult	⋈ Not Applicable		

# **EXCLUSION FROM FEDERAL PROGRAMS**

Employee may not at any time have been or be excluded from participation in any federally funded program, including Medicare and Medicaid. This is a condition of employment. Employee must immediately notify his/her manager or the Clinic's Compliance Officer if he/she is threatened with exclusion or becomes excluded from any federally funded program.

# **ORGANIZATIONAL COMPETENCIES**

- Patient Centered
- Trust
- Teamwork
- Excellence
- Affordability

SPECIAL FACTORS							
Expected Travel and Shift	Expected Frequency Individual Will Be Requested of Travel and Shift Factors in the Role						
Factors of the Role	Frequently Required	Occasionally Required	Seldom Required	Unlikely			
Day travel	$\boxtimes$						
Overnight travel	$\boxtimes$						
On-call shifts				$\boxtimes$			
Holiday shifts				$\boxtimes$			

All employees' hours are scheduled according to the needs of the department. Occasional changes to Scheduled hours may be necessary when required by workload or departmental deadlines.

May require additional hours based on workload, low staffing or emergency situations.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS							
	Expected Frequency Individual Will Perform						
	the Physical Demands in the Role						
Expected Physical		Frequently					
Demands of the Role	Continuously	(34 – 66%)	Occasionally	Seldom	Not		
	(67 – 100%)	2 ½ to 5 hours of	(11 – 33%)	(0 – 10%)	Present		
		8 hour work day					

	Greater than 5 hours of 8			50 minutes to 2 ½ hours of 8	Less than 50 minutes of 8		
	hour work day			hour work day	hour work day		
Bend					$\boxtimes$		
Climb					$\boxtimes$		
Grasp	$\boxtimes$						
Kneel					$\boxtimes$		
Lift and carry 10 pounds or less for a short distance					$\boxtimes$		
Lift and carry less than 35 pounds for a short distance					$\boxtimes$		
Lift greater than 35 pounds utilizing mechanical systems or with additional personnel					$\boxtimes$		
Pivot waist and neck		$\boxtimes$					
Push and pull 50 pounds or less					$\boxtimes$		
Push and pull greater than 50 pounds utilizing mechanical systems or with additional personnel							
Reach less than 5 feet		$\boxtimes$					
Reach higher than 5 feet					$\boxtimes$		
Sit with back support	$\boxtimes$						
Sit without back support					$\boxtimes$		
Squat					$\boxtimes$		
Stand Unsupported				$\boxtimes$			
Twist				$\boxtimes$			
Walk				$\boxtimes$			
Wrist flexion/extension	$\boxtimes$						
All employees are required to utilize proper body mechanics, lifting and moving techniques and/or request assistance from additional staff before attempting to lift any weight outside of their physical capabilities and/or provider ordered restrictions. Actual weight(s) of individuals or items to be lifted vary substantially and must be carefully assessed by staff before attempting a lift to minimize the risk of employee injuries and ensure patient safety.							
Hearing and Vision				equirement	Not a Requirement		
Normal vision with/without correction				$\boxtimes$			
Color vision							
Normal hearing with/without correction				$\boxtimes$			

ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS							
	Expected Frequency Individual Will Be Exposed to						
<b>Expected Environmental</b>	Environmental Factors Demands in the Role						
Factors of the Role	Continuously	Frequently	Occasionally	Seldom	Not		
	(67 – 100%)	(34 – 66%)	(11 – 33%)	(0 – 10%)	Present		

	Greater than 5 hours of 8 hour work day	2 ½ to 5 hours of 8 hour work day	50 minutes to 2 ½ hours of 8 hour work day	Less than 50 minutes of 8 hour work day	
Works indoors	$\boxtimes$				
Works outdoors					$\boxtimes$
Uses a computer monitor	$\boxtimes$				
Works alone	$\boxtimes$				
Works with others		$\boxtimes$			
Works at unprotected heights					$\boxtimes$
Works with explosives					$\boxtimes$
Exposure to biological agents					
Exposure to dust, fumes, smoke, gases, odors, mists or other irritating particles					$\boxtimes$
Exposure to excessive noises					
Exposure to extreme hot or cold temperature and/or changes in humidity					
Exposure to radiation or electrical energy					$\boxtimes$
Exposure to slippery or uneven walking surfaces					$\boxtimes$
Exposure to solvents, grease or oils					
Exposure to toxic or caustic chemicals					$\boxtimes$
Exposure to vibration					$\boxtimes$
Around moving machinery					$\boxtimes$
Operates moving machinery					$\boxtimes$
Other special conditions:					

All employees are required to appropriately dress is based on the area the position resides in and must follow the Marshfield Clinic Health System Personal Appearance (Dress Code) policy and other applicable departmental policies.

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by the person assigned to this position. Essential job functions are intended to describe those functions that are essential to the performance of this job, and additional job functions include those that are considered incidental or secondary to the overall purpose of this job.

This job description does not state or imply that the above are the only duties and responsibilities assigned to this position. Employees holding this position will be required to perform any other job-

related duties as requested by management. All requirements are subject to possible modification to reasonably accommodate individuals with a disability.

**CREATED BY:** Director of Payor Strategy & Network Contracting

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