

# Northwest Region Healthcare Coalition Job Posting

**Title:** Regional Clinical Adviser

## **Summary:**

This position will augment the Virginia Hospital and Healthcare Association's (VHHA) capacity to provide healthcare preparedness and emergency response for the Commonwealth's hospitals and other healthcare facilities' through collaborative efforts with the Virginia Department of Health (VDH), an agency of the Commonwealth of Virginia. This position is contingent upon VDH receiving federal funding and their renewing of a contract with VHHA to provide support for this activity, pursuant to the Hospital Preparedness Program specified in the corporate agreement between the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, and VDH. This position will provide services to assist the Northwest Regional Healthcare Coalition, VHHA, and VDH with efforts to improve the regional and statewide healthcare emergency response systems. This position requires a contract be agreed upon between the Virginia Hospital & Healthcare Association and the employee hired by the contract company. This may be a sole proprietor or a company with a single employee established as a Limited Liability Company (LLC).

## **Essential Functions:**

1. Provide clinical leadership to the Northwest Region Healthcare Coalition and serve as a liaison between the coalition and medical directors/medical leadership at health care facilities, supporting entities (e.g., blood banks), and EMS agencies.
2. Review and provide input on coalition plans, exercises, and educational activities to assure clinical accuracy and relevance.
3. Act as an advocate and resource for other clinical staff to encourage their involvement and participation in coalition activities.
4. Assure that the coalition mass casualty/surge plans provide for appropriate distribution (and re-distribution) of trauma patients to avoid overloading single centers whenever possible and work with health care facilities to understand their capabilities and capacity.
5. Assure that subject matter experts are available, and a process exists to support secondary transfer prioritization in specialty surge (e.g., burn, pediatric) mass casualty situations (i.e., identify which patients are a priority to transfer to specialty care centers when adequate transportation or inpatient resources are unavailable).
6. Engage health care delivery system clinical leaders to provide input, acknowledgement, and understanding of their facility and regional strategic and operational roles in acute medical surge planning to include CBRNE, trauma, burn, and pediatric readiness and response.
7. This job requires occasional overnight travel and 25% travel.
8. Other duties as assigned by the Regional Healthcare Coordinator.

## **Direct Supervision:**

Regional Healthcare Coalition Coordinator

**Qualifications:**

1. Must be a licensed physician to practice in Virginia and be clinically active (i.e., works shifts/sees patients).
2. Involvement in emergency services or response activities is preferred, and knowledge of medical surge issues and basic familiarity with chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear, and explosives (CBRNE), trauma, burn, and pediatric emergency response principles is required.
3. Demonstrated the ability to work well with persons of diverse backgrounds.
4. Be effective in problem solving and conflict management.
5. Demonstrated the ability to speak, write, and communicate effectively.
6. Demonstrated familiarity with state and regional planning activities.
7. Demonstrated knowledge and effective use of Microsoft Office products.

**Education, Training and Experience:**

Knowledge of the National Incident Management System (NIMS) and the required courses under the Incident Command System (ICS) either having or will have within 6 months IS 100, IS 200, IS 700, and IS 800.

**Classification:**

Due to the limited availability of an active physician, this is a part-time position with a maximum of 100 hours per funding year. This position is an exempt position and is not subject to overtime compensation.