

TRAINING OPPORTUNITY WITH PACIFIC LUTHERAN UNIVERSITY

# **MEDICAL INTERPRETER (SPANISH/ENGLISH)**

Our comprehensive Medical Interpreter (Spanish/English) training program is your gateway to a fulfilling career bridging language barriers in healthcare. This unique program is designed to equip you with the essential skills and knowledge to become a certified medical interpreter. You'll learn to navigate complex medical conversations with accuracy and cultural sensitivity, opening doors to numerous opportunities in hospitals, medical offices, and remote healthcare services. Whether you're beginning a new career path or enhancing your existing language skills, this journey will transform your bilingual ability into a vital professional asset. No prior experience in interpretation is required, making this an ideal opportunity for anyone seeking to make a meaningful impact in healthcare.

#### REQUIREMENTS

- Must be at least 18 Years Old.
- Must be a Pierce County Resident.
- Must have access to a computer/laptop and relaible internet.
- Must be able to demonstrate proficiency in reading, writing, speaking, and understanding both English and Spanish languages.

CLASS BEGINS MARCH 4TH 2024

6-WEEK ONLINE SELF-PACED INSTRUCTOR LED TRAINING

**NO COST TRAINING** 

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### **OCCUPATION INSIGHT:**

## **BILINGUAL MEDICAL INTERPRETER (SPANISH LANGUAGE)**

We are seeking individuals in Pierce County to become Bilingual Medical Interpreter to bridge the language barrier between our healthcare professionals and Spanish-speaking patients who are limited in English proficiency. This role is vital in ensuring that all patients receive equitable and effective medical care, comprehending and conveying critical medical information accurately.

### **Key Responsibilities:**

- Provide clear and accurate consecutive interpretation between Spanish-speaking patients and medical staff during consultations, procedures, and other healthcare interactions.
- Assist patients by translating written documents and materials from English to Spanish and vice versa.
- Exhibit exceptional fluency in both English and Spanish, with a specific focus on medical terminology and jargon in both languages.
- Demonstrate excellent short-term memory for verbatim recall during interpretation sessions.
- Adhere strictly to the ethical principles and guidelines set for medical interpreters, ensuring unbiased and accurate communication.
- Maintain the highest level of confidentiality concerning patient information and medical records.

### **Minimum Qualifications:**

- High school diploma or equivalent.
- Fluent in both English and Spanish, with strong verbal and written communication abilities.
- Exhibits excellent interpersonal skills, ensuring a warm, courteous interactions with patients and staff.
- Capable of working autonomously with sound judgment.
- Ability to collaborate effectively with diverse healthcare teams.
- Must pass a language proficiency test.

### **Additional Requirements:**

- Willingness to undergo a comprehensive training program specific to medical interpretation.
- Agree to undergo a background check if necessary.
- Participate in ongoing educational programs to enhance skills and knowledge.
- Ability to work in various settings, including remotely, via video conferencing, or in-person as needed

This occupation offers a unique opportunity to make a significant impact on the lives of patients by ensuring they receive the highest quality of care in their native language. We value diversity and encourage individuals with a passion for healthcare and language services to apply.

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