

Antimicrobial Stewardship Pharmacist

Position Summary:

The University of South Carolina (USC) College of Pharmacy (COP) is recruiting for an antimicrobial stewardship pharmacist to develop, organize and execute statewide stewardship activities for South Carolina in leading the Antimicrobial Stewardship Collaborative of South Carolina (ASC-SC). The position is supported through an Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity grant sponsored by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC). The pharmacist will be hired as a Clinical Instructor in the COP and will work closely with DHEC staff and pharmacists, physicians, infection control preventionists and other healthcare professionals throughout inpatient and outpatient facilities across South Carolina. A summary of specific duties is provided below.

The DHEC dates back to 1878 with the establishment of the state's first Board of Health. More than 125 years later, DHEC remains committed to service, innovation, excellence and collaboration that promotes the health of the people of South Carolina and protects the environment they live in. DHEC has a long-standing history of collaboration with the USC Health Sciences colleges including the School of Medicine (SOM), School of Public Health and the COP. The USC COP is celebrating its 150th anniversary of excellence in education and professional practice, innovative student experiences, groundbreaking research.

This position would be housed at the USC COP in Columbia, SC. As the Palmetto State's capital and a college town, Columbia offers a taste of history, grace and more. Whether you're searching for one of nature's playgrounds including Lake Murray, three rivers or Riverbanks Zoo or looking to enjoy the sports and entertainment offered by USC, opportunities abound. Columbia's fiery vibe cultivates a colorful arts and culinary district and is a proud home to Fort Jackson.

Position duties (summary):

In collaboration with an epidemiologist, infectious diseases pharmacists at the COP and infectious diseases physicians at the SOM, and the Palmetto Health Antimicrobial Stewardship & Support team (PHASST) the pharmacist assuming this position would be expected to do the following:

- Curate pharmacy-specific stewardship information to distribute to healthcare-facility pharmacists at acute care hospitals (ACHs), long-term acute care facilities (LTACs), inpatient rehabilitation facilities (IRFs), and long-term care facilities (LTCFs), to support the program Epidemiologist who will lead this activity.
- Assist the Healthcare-Associated Infections (HAI) Section with organizing and facilitating the statewide stewardship coordination meeting.
- Work with other grant staff to determine ways DHEC regional medical directors and epidemiologists can be involved in coordinated prevention of Antibiotic Resistance (AR) and will discuss this with regional staff.
- Coordinate to ensure collection of information about Division of Acute Disease Epidemiology (DADE) collaboration with laboratories.
- Work with other grant staff to assist with regional outbreak assistance visits.

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- Promote NHSN Antibiotic Use and Antibiotic Resistance (AU/AR) modules use based on research of barriers to use and partner organizations' advice.
- Work with Revenue and Fiscal Affairs to analyze data from two administrative prescription databases.
- Provide technical assistance to increase participation and effective, appropriate use of the NHSN AU/AR modules.
- Design training addressing identified barriers to NHSN AU/AR module use and conduct regional training in the states' four public health regions targeting staff and stakeholders at ACHs, LTACs, and IRFs to allow them to develop skills to use NHSN AU/AR modules and remove barriers to adopting Antimicrobial Stewardship Programs.
- Provide telephone consultations as facilities start reporting in these modules, if technical questions arise or facilities require guidance on AU or Antimicrobial Stewardship best practices (eg statewide antibiograms).
- Identify best practices from individuals to facilitate statewide discussions
- Conduct statewide-level stewardship research in collaboration with ACHs, LTACs, and IRFs and other grant personnel

Candidate Requirements:

- 1) Doctor of Pharmacy degree from ACPE-accredited College/School of Pharmacy
- 2) PGY1 and PGY2 residency training or equivalent experience
- 3) Available for pharmacist licensure in state of South Carolina
- 4) Experience in antimicrobial stewardship preferred

Application Requirements:

- 1) CV/Resume
- 2) Letter of intent
- 3) Reference list

For application or position-related questions please contact P. Brandon Bookstaver, PharmD, FCCP, FIDSA, BCPS, AAHIVP (bookstaver@sccp.sc.edu) or 803-777-4786.

To formally apply, please complete the application at <https://uscjobs.sc.edu> and enter requisition number **010550**.

The University of South Carolina is an Affirmative Action/Equally Opportunity Institution. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply. The University embraces family-friendly policies that provide flexible work environment and an academic culture supportive of faculty members and their families.

The position remains open and applications will be accepted until the position is filled.