Trinity Health Physician Opportunity
Trinity Health PACE
LIFE St. Francis
Posting #THSFMC - 1810

SPECIALTY Associate Medical Director – Geriatric Medicine
HOSPITAL Trinity Health PACE
LIFE St. Francis
LOCATION Trenton, New Jersey
PRACTICE MODEL Employment
STATUS Full Time
REQUIREMENTS Board Certified or Board Eligible
CALL COVERAGE TBD

OPPORTUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

Trinity Health PACE and LIFE St. Francis have an excellent opportunity for a Board Certified physician to provide oversight as Associate Medical Director over Programs of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) organizations located in Trenton, New Jersey.

The Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE) model is centered on the belief that it is better for the well-being of seniors with chronic care needs and their families to be served in the community whenever possible. PACE serves individuals who are age 55 or older, certified by their state to need nursing home care, able to live safely in the community at the time of enrollment and live in a PACE service area. While all PACE participants must be certified to need nursing home care to enroll in PACE, only about 7 percent of PACE participants nationally reside in a nursing home. If a PACE enrollee needs nursing home care, the PACE program pays for it and continues to coordinate the enrollee’s care. We encourage fellowship and independence while serving seniors and their families with dignity and respect. Delivering all needed medical and supportive services, PACE is able to provide the entire continuum of care and services to seniors with chronic needs while maintaining their independence in their home for as long as possible.

In conjunction with the Regional Medical Director, the Associate Medical Director promotes innovation in the PACE Organization (PO) and delivery of health care services in a managed care setting. They evaluate the quality of professional medical services rendered to plan members and the utilization of health care resources. The Associate Medical Director ensures the provision of cost-effective, high quality medical services in an atmosphere of cooperation and favorable provider relations.
Under the supervision of the Executive Director and in coordination with the Regional Medical Director, this position provides primary medical care to PACE participants, including assessment, development of a plan of care in collaboration with the interdisciplinary team, provision of direct participant medical care, and evaluation of effectiveness of the plan of care.

**Requirements for this opportunity include, but are not limited to:**

- Must possess strong interpersonal skills in order to interact in extremely delicate, sensitive and/or complex situations, and to make effective presentations before senior management within TH PACE.
- Must be licensed to practice medicine in the state where PO is located and have 3 to 5 years of experience as a medical director or similar management experience.
- Must possess ability to maintain a high level of satisfaction with referring physicians/institutions and participants.
- Must possess a knowledge of governmental and accreditation agency requirements as well as a thorough understanding of the health care environment and all applicable laws and regulations.
- Must possess experience with physician credential requirements and procedures.
- Demonstrated ability to model the use of evidence-based leadership/practice, and project management skills.
- Must be comfortable operating in a collaborative, shared leadership environment.
- Must possess a personal presence that is characterized by a sense of honesty, integrity and caring with the ability to inspire and motivate others to promote the philosophy, mission, vision, goals and values of Trinity Health.

This is an exciting opportunity for the right physician to lead the medical team at LIFE Saint Francis.

**RECRUITMENT PACKAGE**

LIFE St. Francis offers a competitive salary and compensation package based on training and clinical experience.

**ABOUT THE FACILITY**

**LIFE St. Francis** - A Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE), is a safe alternative to nursing home care that can assist elders to live safely at home while being helped by a team of healthcare experts. The LIFE Center in Hamilton, New Jersey is the hub of LIFE St. Francis, which cares for seniors through the end of life and across all care settings, from their homes, to acute and rehab inpatient stays and long term placement in skilled nursing facilities.

At the LIFE Center seniors receive health care, nutritious meals, and participate in activities with others so they may remain active, social and make new friends. The LIFE Center provides one location where doctors, nurses and other healthcare professionals can provide treatment and monitor changes in an individual’s health. We provide support so that seniors can live independently as long as possible.

LIFE St. Francis was the first PACE program in New Jersey. The program serves many health care and social needs of the elderly, all in one place. Even transportation is included in this unique model of care. With LIFE, cost is not a barrier to getting the care that is needed.
Trinity Health PACE is the largest provider of PACE (Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly) services in the country with 13 PACE Organizations operating in nine states. PACE is designed to provide the entire continuum of care and services to frail seniors, helping them to maintain their independence in their home and community for as long as possible.

Trinity Health PACE organizations are nationally recognized providing comprehensive medical, health, recreational, and social services designed specifically for each participant in an effort to promote independence at home.

To receive PACE services individuals must meet the following conditions:

- Be at least 55 years old
- Live in the PACE service area
- Be able to live safely in the community with assistance
- Meet the state's nursing facility level of care

PACE Organization's use an interdisciplinary team approach to provide all health, medical and social services necessary to restore and preserve the participant's level of well-being. IDT's are composed of a primary care physician, nurse, social worker, physical therapist, occupational therapist, recreational therapist or activity coordinator, dietitian, PACE center supervisor, home care liaison, health workers/ aides, or their representatives, and drivers or their representatives.

IDT evaluates the needs of each individual and develops an individualized plan of care (POC) consistent with the participant's goals and needs. During a center visit, participants may be seen in the clinic for a medical evaluation, the gym for PT or OT exercises, and participate in the recreational activities of the day. They receive a light breakfast and a full lunch while in the center. The fleet of transportation vehicles are available to transport to the center, to home or to any external provider visits. Depending on the situation, a participant may have home care aides, home nursing visits or a house call from their Primary Care Provider. All services are focused on maintaining the participant in the community and as independent as possible.

Trinity Health PACE Organizations are located in the following states:

- Alabama – Mercy LIFE of Alabama
- Delaware – Saint Francis LIFE
- Indiana – Saint Joseph PACE
- Massachusetts – Mercy LIFE of Massachusetts
- Michigan – LifeCircles PACE
- New Jersey – LIFE at Lourdes & LIFE St. Francis
- New York – Catholic Health LIFE & Eddy Senior Care
- North Carolina – LIFE St. Joseph of the Pines
- Pennsylvania – LIFE St. Mary, Mercy LIFE-SEPA and Mercy LIFE – West Philadelphia

Trinity Health PACE is a member of Trinity Health, the second largest Catholic Health System in the nation. Trinity Health is based in Livonia, Michigan.
COMMUNITY DESCRIPTION

**Trenton, New Jersey** - the capital of New Jersey and the county seat of Mercer County, Trenton has a population of almost 85,000 people.

Located in central New Jersey, Trenton enjoys a prime location that is within an hour’s drive of New York City, Philadelphia, and the Jersey Shore. We are also in close proximity to destinations such as Six Flag Great Adventure and the quaint downtown of Princeton.

Major roadways provide easy access to our city, such as the New Jersey Turnpike, Interstate Highways 195 and 295, U.S. Highways 130 and 206 and State Highways 33 and 29, as well as convenient rail access to New York City along the NJ Transit’s Northeast Corridor Line.

For more information on Hamilton please visit [http://www.trentonnj.org/](http://www.trentonnj.org/)

ABOUT TRINITY HEALTH

Trinity Health is one of the largest multi-institutional Catholic health care delivery systems in the nation. We serve people and communities in 22 states from coast to coast with more than 90 hospitals and 100 continuing care facilities – including home care, hospice, PACE and senior living facilities and programs that provide nearly two and a half million visits annually. Trinity Health employs more than 133,000 colleagues, including 7,800 employed physicians and clinicians.

**Our mission:** *We, Trinity Health, serve together in the spirit of the Gospel as a compassionate and transforming healing presence within our communities. We support this mission by living our core values of Reverence, Commitment to Those Who are Poor, Justice, Stewardship, and Integrity. Committed to recruiting talented physicians, we are looking for physicians who share our values and want to help us fulfill the health care needs of the communities we serve.*

At Trinity Health, we value the physician relationship and focus on partnering with our physicians. Whether you are a practicing physician looking to relocate or a medical resident, we offer opportunities with the flexibility to fit your individual needs. If you would like to be part of Trinity Health, we encourage you to explore this opportunity at [www.trinity-health.org](http://www.trinity-health.org).

If you are interested in this opportunity and would like to submit your CV, please email docopps@trinity-health.org or call Trinity Health Physician Recruitment at (734) 343-2300.