



## **“Ready Provider Program”**

### **Moonlighting Opportunities for Residents & More!**

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**Description:** The Galveston County Health District has implemented the “Ready Provider Program.” This new staffing concept is intended to assist in maintaining healthcare services to patients of the 4C’s Clinic who are routinely served by full-time and part-time employed providers (physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants) on an as needed basis. The Health District’s Human Resources office will maintain a list of “Ready Providers,” who have successfully completed the 4C’s Clinic’s credentialing process, and will be called upon when there is a need for additional providers (both physicians and mid-levels) to provide patient care at either of the Health District’s clinic sites (on Galveston Island and in Texas City). “Ready Providers” will be called upon to provide patient care under contract with the Health District during provider vacancies, extended leave, or times of extended scheduled leave. The current hourly rates of contracted service are approximately \$65/hour for eligible board certified physicians, \$60/hour for eligible non-board certified physicians, and \$35/hour for eligible mid-level providers. *For more information about the program, contact Kathrine Hall at 409.938.2230 or [khall@gchd.org](mailto:khall@gchd.org).*

### **General Guidelines:**

1. Providers must have a current Texas license. Physicians must have a current DEA and DPS certificate. In some circumstances, preference may be given to nurse practitioners with a DEA license.
2. Licensed third-year resident physicians (not during an official Health District educational rotation) are eligible if in a primary care residency (family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics & gynecology)
3. Providers will provide healthcare services on a contractual basis, without employee benefits.
4. Providers agree to be contacted about their ability to work during an expected or unexpected time period of need (as needed basis).
5. Providers must be credentialed and privileged by the 4C’s Clinic to provide ambulatory healthcare in the areas of general family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, or prenatal care and gynecology.
6. Providers under contract will have malpractice coverage under the Federal Tort Claims Act that governs federally funded community health clinics. As such, no additional malpractice insurance is required under this service.
7. Mid-level providers will complete necessary documentation designating the 4C’s Medical Director and/or designee as the supervising physician(s).
8. In some circumstances, a physician may be required to have a UPIN/Medicare provider number.

**Required Components of 4C’s Clinic Credentialing Process:** *To complete the Credentialing Application, the following information will be needed. Please contact Pam Jahnke at 409.938.2256 or [pjahnke@gchd.org](mailto:pjahnke@gchd.org) for additional information.*

- Copies of current Texas license/permit, registration, and/or certification (in Texas), including current DPS and DEA (as applicable)
- Names and address of the school(s) where you completed your medical education (include internship, residency, fellowship, and/or other types of advanced training)
- Names and addresses of three (3) professional references
- Name and address of personal physician to obtain a statement of your health fitness
- Copies of your official picture ID, immunization & TB skin testing records, and CPR/ACLS training
- Your history of malpractice claims (if applicable)