

Medical Job Fair Open To Many Skill Levels

Companies looking for attitude and initiative

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You don't have to be a registered nurse to take advantage of a health care industry job fair today in Yuba City, event organizers said.

Clerical and janitorial jobs are just two examples of the opportunities to be found at the fair, which takes place from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. today at Yuba City's Veteran's Hall off Butte House Road.

The Sutter County One-Stop Career Center and the Sutter County Career Training and Education Center are organizing the event, which will bring employers from 27 regional health care companies.

"Just because this is a medical industry job fair, it's not just medical," said Bobby Chima, a Business & Workforce Specialist for CTEC and the Sutter County One-Stop.

Even low-skill jobs to be offered at the fair can bring opportunities for long-term employment and advancement, "said Cheri Shinn, who works in the recruitment department of the Fremont-Rideout Health Group, one of the companies to be at today's fair.

The Fremont-Rideout Health Group, for example, offers employees a chance to move up to new positions through continuing education and training, Shinn said.

"There are a variety of positions throughout the hospitals that we're seeking candidates for," Shinn said. "We welcome everyone who's looking for a position and serious about our organization."

Other local companies offering jobs include Sutter North Medical Foundation, which currently has 11 openings, according to Marketing and Communications Director Julie Eckardt.

"We are always hiring for a variety of different positions and our applications are always accepted on-line," Eckardt said.

Those who attend today's job fair are advised to dress professionally, since some companies may be conducting on-site interviews.

Attendees should also bring their resumes, references, and any proof of medical certification they may need to apply for a job, said Martha Griese, Employment and Training Programs Manager for the Sutter County One-Stop Career Center.

Griese added that candidates should bring a positive attitude.

“Attitude is 80 percent of what an employer is looking for: The attitude of (taking) initiative, (showing) positively and the desire to help meet the needs of our community in this field,” Griese said.

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