

JOB INFORMATION				
Job Code:	135061			
Job Title:	Lead Clinical Monitor			
FLSA Status:	Exempt			
Supervisory:	Leads employees performing similar work on a project basis.			
Job Family:	Project Management			
Job Family Group:	Administrative Support			
Management Level:	7 Individual Contributor			

JOB SUMMARY

Leads and provides guidance to clinical monitors for sponsor- and investigator-initiated clinical research studies. Assists in administration of the consent process, and ensures maintained records are accurate, complete, timely, and compliant. Serves as communications liaison for clinical monitoring and study teams, identifying, resolving, and escalating any issues, as appropriate. Develops and administers clinical trial education and training.

JOB QUALIFICATIONS:

Education

Req	Pref	Degree	Field of Study			
Χ		Bachelor's degree				
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Additional Education

Check here if experience may substitute for some of the above education.

X Combined experience/education as substitute for minimum education

Work Experience

Req	Pref	Work Experience	Experience Level	
Χ		5 years		
	Χ	6 years		

Additional Work Experience

Check here if education may substitute for some of the above work experience.

Combined experience/education as substitute for minimum work experience

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

Req	Pref	Functional Skills
Χ		Extensive experience with monitoring of clinical trials and thorough knowledge of medical terminology.
X		Demonstrated experience with the drug development process. Experience with ICH guidelines and Good Clinical Practices (GCP).

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities

Req	Pref	Functional Skills
X		Proven ability to interpret and apply all relevant federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and policies regarding clinical trials and monitoring.
Χ		Thorough knowledge of all applicable local and/or national regulations pertaining to clinical trials and monitoring.
	Χ	Demonstrated leadership skills. Comprehensive understanding of all aspects of clinical trials.
	Χ	Experience maintaining currency with changing laws, regulations and policies.

Other Job Factors

JOB ACCOUNTABILITIES

	% Time	Essential	Marginal	N/A
Serves as clinical monitor for sponsor- and investigator-initiated clinical research studies. Oversees more complex and/or large studies. Ensures study recruitment, progress, performance, and adherence to protocols. Contributes to study site assignments, preparations, daily operations, monitor metrics reviews (e.g., source document verification rate), data query placements, and closures. Travels to study sites, collecting and analyzing delivery, productivity, and performance metrics. Conducts site qualifications, initiations, monitoring, and study closeout visits in accordance with relevant regulations, business processes, standard operating procedures (SOP), and Good Clinical Practices (GCP) and ICH guidelines.				
Monitors ongoing documentation, regulatory, and policy changes and updates for clinical monitoring procedures. Participating in review of study source documents, EDC updates, monitoring plans, monitoring reports, and procedures manuals. Participates in administration of the consent process, and ensures maintained records (e.g., site-specific consent forms, verifications, electronic case reportform reviews) are accurate, complete, timely, and compliant with GCP, IRB, FDA, HIPAA, and sponsor and institutional regulations and policies. Manages updates to SOP, and coordinates with central administration, as needed or requested, to maintain compliance.				
Serves as communications liaison for clinical monitoring and study teams, ensuring protocols are followed and procedures are performed as directed and identifying, resolving and escalating any issues, as appropriate. Supports the medical monitor and the project and data managers with problem resolutions and follow-ups. Provides timely responses to sponsor and/or auditor inquiries. Prepares for internal/external auditor visits, confirming timely and accurate submission of site visit documentation, and that critical goals, timelines, and quality compliance standards are met.				
Participates in recruiting, screening, interviewing, hiring, and leading clinical monitors. Trains and assigns work to new and current employees, setting goals and providing counsel, mentorship, direction, and feedback. Reviews, coordinates, and approves work schedules, timesheets, and time-off requests, as needed. Responsible for creating training materials for study specific teams and investigator meetings. Responsible for creating and assigning monitor review and query resolution trackers. Tracks the timeliness of monitor reports and activities. Organizes, sets agendas, and runs study-specific meetings for monitors, PM/DM calls, or executive internal calls. Maintains currency with pertinent literature and developments in relevant fields, and any legal, regulatory and technology changes that may affect operations. Participates in relevant professional organizations, maintains necessary memberships, and attends appropriate meetings and seminars.				
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Promotes an environment that fosters inclusive relationships and creates unbiased opportunities for contributions through ideas, words, and actions that uphold principles of the USC Code of Ethics				

Other Requirements					
Essential:	Emergency Response/Recovery	Essential:	Mandated Rep	porter	
	In the event of an emergency, the employee holding this position is required to "report to duty" in accordance with the university's Emergency Operations Plan and/or the employee's department's emergency response and/or recovery plans. Familiarity with those plans and regular training to implement those plans is required. During or immediately following an emergency, the employee will be notified to assist in the emergency response efforts, and mobilize other staff members if needed.		A mandated reporter who in his or her professional capacity has knowledge of, or reasonably suspects a person who is under the age of 18 years, elderly, or a dependent adult has been the victim of abuse or neglect must report the suspected incident. The reporter must contact a designated agency immediately or as soon as practically possible by telephone or in writing within 36 hours. By virtue of the associated job duties, this position qualifies as a mandated reporter as required by state law and USC's policy at: https://policy.usc.edu/mandated-reporters/		
Campus Security Authority (CSA)				Essential:	
By virtue of the associated job duties, this position qualifies as a Campus Security Authority as required by law and USC's policy at: https://dps.usc.edu/alerts/clery/					

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

The above statements reflect the essential and non-essential functions as necessary to describe the principle contents of the job. They are not intended to be a complete statement of all work requirements or duties that may be required of the position. I understand that I may be asked to perform other duties as assigned. USC reserves the right to add or change duties at any time.

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I acknowledge receipt of this job description and its associated physical requirements. I have read and understand the job description and job requirements and agree to abide by their contents. I realize that duties may be requested of me that are not specifically stated herein. I understand that I will be expected to adjust to potential fluctuations in work volume. I understand that, if I have any questions about the essential functions or expectations of my position, my supervisor and/or HR partner are available to discuss them with me.

Print Employee Name	Signature	Date
Print Manager Name	Signature	 Date

This job description describes the general nature and level of work required by the position. It is not intended to be an all-inclusive list of qualifications, skills,

duties, responsibilities or working conditions of the job. The job description is subject to change with or without notice, and Management reserves the right to add, modify or remove any qualification or duty. Nothing in this job description changes the existing at-will employment relationship between the university and the employee occupying the position.