The Congenital Heart Center (CHC) of the Penn State Health Children's Hospital in Hershey, Pennsylvania is seeking a qualified pediatric cardiologist with a specific interest in **inpatient pediatric cardiology (cardiology hospitalist)**. The objective is for the successful candidate to serve as the **Medical Director of Inpatient Services** for the division of Pediatric Cardiology.

The Penn State Health CHC provides comprehensive care for infants, children, and adolescents with cardiac, thoracic, and vascular disease. The Congenital Heart Group provides patient care, participates in research, and educates health care professionals in a variety of settings.

This individual will work alongside advanced practice providers (APPs) and cardiology fellows, and collaboratively with physicians, nurses, and other health care providers to provide specialized care to cardiac patients located in our telemetry/stepdown unit and in our pediatric intensive care unit.

Our patient population ranges from newborns to young adults with congenital or acquired heart disease. Surgeries are performed on a variety of complex congenital heart abnormalities. There is an active interventional cardiology program providing state-of-the-art care from premature neonates to adults with congenital heart disease. Our Adult Congenial Heart Disease program has 6 providers who maintain an active inpatient and outpatient program, and completes the triad of pediatric cardiology, congenital heart surgery and adult congenital care in the CHC.

**Essential Responsibilities:**

* Organize and lead the inpatient activities at the children’s hospital. The goal is to create standardized protocols for patient care that provides a framework for other cardiologists who rotate through service
* Provide education and guidance to patient care nursing staff, particularly as it pertains to quality initiatives and care directives that improve cardiac patient outcomes.
* Obtain medical histories, perform physical exams, order and interpret laboratory data, and prescribe medical management on patients admitted to the inpatient service.
* Supervise and direct inpatient rounds, write daily progress notes, collate inpatient records, and complete discharge summaries using the electronic medical record.
* Assist in the preoperative and postoperative care of surgical patients in the ICU alongside the team of pediatric intensive care providers and surgical APPs.
* Provide continuity of care when coordinating care with other members of the health care team.
* Attend and present at heart center care conferences and participate in quality improvement initiatives.
* Teach fellows, residents, and medical students who rotate through the cardiology service.

**Requirements**

* Candidates must be board certified or board eligible in pediatric cardiology and able to obtain an unrestricted PA license.
* BLS and PALS certification required.

Candidates may submit their curriculum vitae and letter of interest via email to:

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