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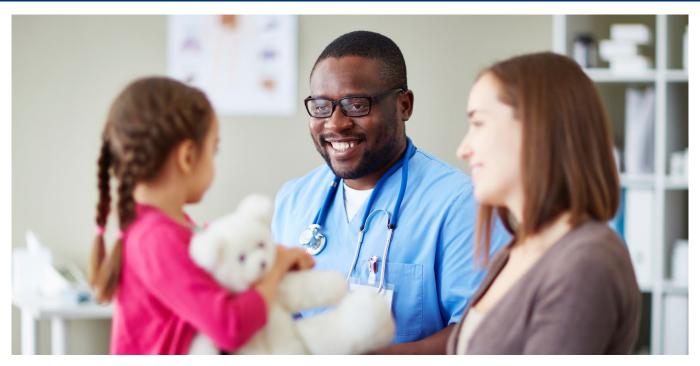








# BENEFITS OF WORKING LOCUM TENENS JOBS OVER THE HOLIDAYS







hough it's common knowledge many healthcare professionals are expected to work during the holidays, locum tenens workers have the flexibility to choose whether they want assignments during the holiday season. The prospect of working locum tenens assignments over the holidays may not have you jumping for joy, but there are advantages you may not have considered. Was your original goal in pursuing locum tenens work to have a less stressful schedule while earning a competitive salary? If so, check out the benefits of working locum tenens assignments over the holidays:

## MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES.

Because the full-time staff at many hospitals and large healthcare organizations takes vacation time during the holidays, locum tenens opportunities are more prevalent to accommodate seasonal staff-

ing fluctuations. Therefore, it's in your best interest to make yourself available for holiday assignments, especially if you'd like to earn extra money in a short time. In fact, many locum tenens physicians find they're able to sustain a fruitful locum tenens career simply by filling in during seasonal shortages each year.

# A QUIETER, SLOWER-PACED WORK ENVIRONMENT.

Not surprisingly, some healthcare facilities are slower and less busy during the holiday time. If you'd prefer a quieter and more relaxing work environment, taking locum tenens jobs during the holidays is ideal. In addition to having a lesser case load, coworkers and patients are generally happier and more joyous on the holidays - resulting in a more positive and uplifting work experience for locum tenens workers. You'll also have the opportunity to provide care to patients who are stuck in the hospital during the holidays. Bonding with these patients can be a very rewarding experience because you will be there for them during a time when it can be especially tough to be away from friends and family.

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.

If you're behind on your professional development, working during the holiday season presents the perfect time to learn and connect with other physicians. Because your workload during the holidays will be reduced, you'll have the chance to take on new projects and make a name for yourself among peers and bosses. Furthermore, helping at a hospital during holiday staffing shortages will speak volumes of your work commitment and can be very beneficial when it's time to acquire recommendations at the end of your assignments.

If you've been against working locum tenens assignments during the holiday season, it may be time to shift your mindset. You'll be surprised at how much working holiday assignments can help your career and be an enjoyable change of pace!

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

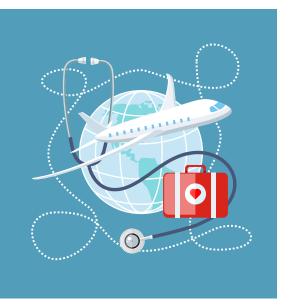


STS 54th Annual Meeting January 27-31, 2018 Fort Lauderdale, FL

# GEARING UP FOR LOCUM TENENS WORK THIS HOLIDAY SEASON?

Get connected with MedPartners Locum Tenens and learn about holiday assignments at healthcare organizations across the country.





# TRAVEL NEWS FOR FREQUENT FLYERS

s you know, MedPartners Locum Tenens offers the option to work in your hometown or across the country. For those who enjoy life on the road, we have several important updates about air travel to make things easier for you next time you're at the airport heading to your latest locum tenens job.

### REAL ID FOR AIR TRAVEL

Beginning on January 22, 2018, the <u>REAL ID</u> Act will require some travelers to carry a second government approved form of ID for air travel beyond a driver's license. This applies to certain U.S. states and territories that do not have compliant driver's licenses and have not been granted extensions. The approved list of acceptable IDs per the U.S. Transportation Security Administration includes:

- Border crossing card
- DHS trusted traveler cards (Global Entry, NEXUS, SENTRI, FAST)
- Permanent resident card
- U.S. military ID (active duty or

retired military and their dependents, and DoD civilians)

- U.S. passport
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All air travelers will require a license compliant with the REAL ID Act or an alternate form of acceptable identification for domestic travel by October 1, 2020. See which states are compliant or require additional ID here.

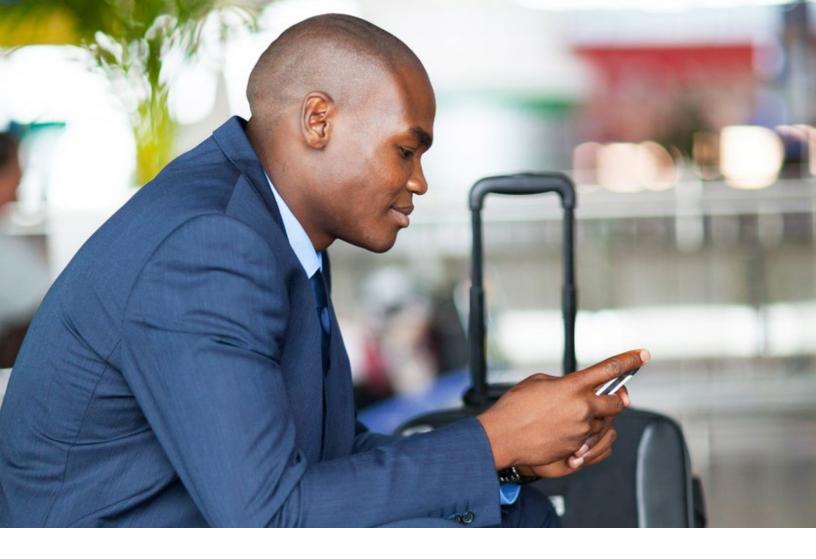
# GET FOOD DELIVERED... TO YOUR GATE!

Two new apps will allow travelers at certain airports to have food delivered to the terminal area. Customers can order from any gate or terminal, saving time that would have been wasted waiting in lines and allowing for a larger food se-

lection. This is great news for locum tenens professionals on the go.

The first app is Airport Sherpa. This app launched in July of 2017 at the Baltimore-Washington Airport (BWI). In addition to promising food delivery within 15 to 45 minutes, Airport Sherpa is also programmed to know when gate changes, flight delays, and connection changes occur in order to accommodate customers at the right place. The app also allows ordering food up to a week in advance for both delivery and pickup. Delivery fees range from \$3.99 to \$7.99 depending on distance.

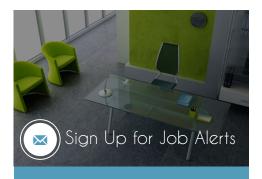




The other up and coming app is AtYourGate (AYG), which is scheduled to launch at the San Diego Airport and one other location by the end of 2017. An additional six airports are expected to participate by the end of 2018. AtYourGate promises food delivery within 30 to 45 minutes and also accounts for delays. The delivery fee is \$6.99 per order and includes the option to package multiple food and retail items from more than one vendor for convenience. AYG has also partnered with the Grab app, which already has pickup services at 18 airports. When ordering food and retail items for delivery through AtYourGate, the Grab app will be used at those participating airports.

## **DEVICE SCREENING CHANGES**

TSA is rolling out a new policy for domestic flights. Devices larger than a cellphone will be subject to additional screening. This includes tablets, e-readers, game consoles, and other large devices. These items will need to be screened separately, similar to the current screening rules for laptops. This new policy will not apply to TSA Precheck lanes. As many of our locum tenens professionals like to bring multiple devices with them on longer assignments, it's important to remember the new screening rules and leave enough time for security when heading to the airport.



### **JOB ALERTS**

Sign up for our Job Alerts and get new job openings delivered straight to your inbox or smartphone.

# MEDPARTNERS LOCUM TENENS IN THE COMMUNITY



### **HALLOWEEN**

Our whole team got in the spirit for Halloween! Each division within MedPartners Locum Tenens had a theme and we saw some pretty creative costumes as a result. Here we are with our Shared Services team in Coral Springs.



# BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

We teamed up with our Shared Services division to go pink for Breast Cancer Awareness! With so many people touched by this disease in some way, we wanted to promote education about breast cancer and provide encouragement to those fighting it.



# SEPRA EDUCATION CONFERENCE

We headed out to Atlanta, GA for the Southeast Physician Recruiters Association (SEPRA) Education Conference in October. Our team had a great time at the conference and we hope you did too. Congratulations to Ginger M., winner of our \$100 gift card giveaway!



## NEPRA EDUCATION CONFERENCE

In November, we had the opportunity to take part in the Northeast Physician Recruiter Association (NEPRA) Annual Conference in Uncasville, CT. We gave our booth visitors the opportunity to enter a drawing for a \$100 gift card, which was won by Jodi C., as well as two \$50 gambling chips for the Mohegan Sun Casino, won by Jolia G. and Michele S. – congratulations, everyone!





# **PSYCHIATRY**

PSYCHIATRIST San Diego, CA

**PSYCHIATRIST** 

Tampa, FL

**PSYCHIATRIST** 

Grand Forks, ND

**PSYCHIATRIST** 

New Orleans, LA

PMHNP - IP ADULT FM & PSYCH

Watertown, NY

**PSYCHIATRIST** 

Florence, OR

# PEDIATRICS & OB

**OB GYN** 

Fayetteville, NC

**OB GYN** 

Bluffton, IN

**OB GYN** 

Nashville, TN

**NEONATOLOGIST** 

Phoenix, AZ

**NEONATOLOGIST** 

Houston, TX

PEDS HOSPITALIST

San Antonio, TX

PEDS HOSPITALIST

Lansing, MI

HOSPITALISTS
& EMERGENCY
MEDICINE

CORRECTIONAL PRIMARY CARE

**PHYSICIAN** 

Crescent City, CA

**HOSPITALIST** 

Decatur, AL

**HOSPITALIST** 

Manchester, NH

EMERGENCY MEDICINE

**PHYSICIAN** 

New Orleans, LA

**HOSPITALIST** 

Lexington, KY

**URGENT CARE** 

Denver, CO

**SURGERY** 

ORTHOPEDIC TRAUMA

SURGEON

Columbia, SC

ORTHOPEDIC TRAUMA

SURGEON

Sioux Falls, SD

PLASTIC/TRAUMA SURGEON

Indianapolis IN

**PULMONOLOGY** 

Alberta, VA

**GASTROENTEROLOGY** 

Albuquerque, NM

CT SURGEON

Kearney, NE

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