



St. Maarten Medical Center

VACANCY: *Technical Ophthalmic Assistant (TOA)*



St. Maarten Medical Center (SMMC) is an ambitious and growing hospital organization on St. Maarten. With more than 425 FTE's, 28 Specialists and a capacity of 80 beds, we continuously strive to ensure safe, quality health care. Our primary service area of St. Maarten, Statia and Saba, represents a total population of approximately 60,000 people, constituting a multi-cultural mix with more than 100 different nationalities. In addition, we also offer health care services to the two million visitors annually. SMMC has started the construction of the new St. Maarten General Hospital (SMGH) to expand its services in order to accommodate the increased care demand of the people of St. Maarten, its visitors and neighboring islands. The new hospital is planned to be operational in 2026.

Your Profile:

As a **Technical Ophthalmic Assistant (TOA)**, you support ophthalmologists in eye care by performing diagnostic tests like visual acuity, tonometry, and retinal imaging. You assist in patient preparation, maintain records, and manage clinical equipment. As a TOA, you also educate patients on eye health and post-treatment care. Ideally, you have strong interpersonal skills including tact and empathy. Additionally, you possess excellent communication skills, aiding in gathering information from patients and in communicating effectively with ophthalmologists and other colleagues.

What We Offer:

At our cutting-edge Eye Care clinic, we offer you the opportunity to work at in a dynamic, fast-paced environment with the latest technology and an enthusiastic team of qualified professionals. You'll embark on a full-time role within our expanding organization with many opportunities for personal and professional development.

Requirements:

- An MBO level 4 diploma and the successful completion of training and certification as a Technical Ophthalmic Assistant (TOA);
- Proven experience with ultrasound and visual field machines as well as proficiency in using relevant computer systems and software programs;
- A basic understanding of pharmacology, the anatomy of the eye, and proper procedures for cleaning equipment is essential. This knowledge must be maintained and kept up to date;
- Proficiency in the English language is required. Comprehension of one or more additional languages such as Dutch, Spanish, Papiamentu, or French/Patois is considered an asset.

Tasks:

- Plan patient appointments and Operating Room procedures according to protocol;
- Prepare appointments and ensure all necessary information is provided to the ophthalmologist;
- Perform a variety of routine tests using ophthalmic instruments and computerized equipment that provide diagnostic information, including intraocular pressures, A-Scan, B-scan fundus photograph and take ocular measurements;
- Document and report test and measurement results in the hospital information system, provide them to the ophthalmologist and signal abnormalities;
- Assist the ophthalmologist during diagnostic and minor procedures;
- Administer topical medications or diagnostic drugs as required by the ophthalmologist for testing or treatment.

Interested?

For more information, contact our Human Resources (HR) Department via +1 (721) 543-3154 ext. 201 or 203. Your motivation letter and resume can be submitted to the HR Department via careers@smmc.sx. A copy of both should be submitted to the Labor and Social Affairs Dept. located on Soualiga Road #1, Philipsburg, St. Maarten.

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