

Vice President, Chief Legal Officer

Experience Unlike Any Other

We are a nationally-recognized academic medical center, a Level I Trauma Center and the primary partner of UT Medicine San Antonio. Every day, we provide expert care delivered by people who care. University Health System is the first and only health system in San Antonio and South Texas to earn the prestigious Magnet status from the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC). Only 6% of the nation's hospitals earn this "gold standard" in measuring the quality of care.

Work With the Best

University Health System is one of the largest employers in San Antonio, with more than 7,000 employees and more than 800 physicians and residents. We are the future of healthcare, making a difference in the lives of our patients. Our advancement of medical knowledge through clinical research, our massive expansion and our ranking as one of the best hospitals in South Texas have created a critical need for the best, highly qualified individuals to join our team.

Position Summary

This senior leadership position is responsible for the overall management, oversight and operations of the Legal Services department and for setting vision to enable the department to meet customer needs in the future. This expert provides guidance regarding legal aspects of regulatory compliance of University Health System to include developing training and education programs. Provides legal guidance to University Health System senior leadership regarding surveys, inspections and audits of the Health System by regulatory, licensing and/or accrediting organizations, including but not limited to, Joint Commission, CMS, HHSC, and ACGME. Assists, coordinates and provides support on Medical-Dental staff issues when necessary. Assists in the preparation of management reports and operating procedures relative to compliance and regulatory matters when required. Provides legal guidance and transactional guidance on forming and modifying relationships with other organizations. Responsible for the management, oversight and conduct of litigation involving the Health System, including the development, monitoring and enforcement of litigation budgets, the evaluation of litigation strategies and oversight of outside counsel.

Education/Experience

A Law Degree (JD or LLB) from an accredited Law School is required. Must be a member in good standing of the Texas Bar and currently licensed to practice in Texas or obtain a license to practice law in the state of Texas and become admitted to the State Bar of Texas within nine months of hire. Ten to fifteen years as a licensed attorney and five to seven years of progressively responsible experience in Health Law required. Additional experience with state and federal health care law, medical malpractice and tort liability, regulatory compliance, as well as governmental assistance programs is required. Working knowledge of Joint Commission accreditation standards and survey processes, Texas Health and Human Services Commission investigations and administrative processes is highly desired.

Licensure

License to practice law in the State of Texas required.

Highly qualified professionals are encouraged to contact Arlena Jonas at 210.358.2200 or arlena.jonas@uhs-sa.com. You may also complete an online application at www.universityhealthsystem.com/careers for immediate consideration.

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