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LLOYD HEALTHCARE STAFFING OPENS NEW DIVISION

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In direct response to the rapidly growing field of Allied Health throughout the country, Lloyd Healthcare Staffing has announced an expansion of its existing healthcare employment services to include a new occupational component dedicated to the *Allied Health TRAVEL professional*. The division, based out of Lloyd's Tampa offices, will expand upon Lloyd Staffing's overall travel offerings nationwide to address the major upsurge in staffing requests within the healthcare industry for travelers nationwide. Lloyd Healthcare Staffing in Tampa is focusing on recruiting Rehabilitation Professionals to alleviate the current occupational shortage for *Physical Therapists, Physical Therapist Assistants, Occupational Therapists, Certified Occupational Therapist Assistants* and *Speech Language Pathologists*. Licensed and credentialed individuals in these fields may qualify for contractual assignments at major healthcare facilities around the country and will spend time working and exploring cities and medical centers to gain new career or lifestyle information.



According to U.S. Department of Labor, Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy are among the fastest-growing fields in the nation over the next 10 years. This projection falls in conjunction with aging baby boomers that are living longer, but requiring more rehabilitative care.

Before becoming a business owner in 2000, Tampa's Lloyd Healthcare Staffing President, Jackie Garvin, spent 12 years in patient care as a registered nurse. Garvin comments, "As a healthcare professional myself, I understand the specific needs and requirements of the healthcare industry. In particular, hiring competent caring healthcare practitioners and maintaining appropriate staffing levels is at the heart of quality assurance issues within the industry. That's the reason I decided to devote this portion of my career to raising the bar in healthcare staffing and keeping pace with demand locally and nationally." Garvin is an entrepreneur whose Lloyd Staffing franchise is a certified woman-owned business. She recently named industry veteran, Carrie Clark of Tampa, Florida to head up the Traveler Division and to focus on recruitment and placement initiatives within the Allied Health marketplace.

Lloyd is known for its total workforce solutions in Healthcare staffing that run the gamut of per diem, full time employment, contract, traveler and international recruitment. In 2005, corporate offices in Melville, NY were designated by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations (JCAHO) as Certified Healthcare Staffing providers, currently held by a select group of staffing companies nationwide. This prestigious certification acknowledges Lloyd's compliance with JCAHO's consensus-based quality standards and is awarded only after a formal evaluation process and full scrutiny of recruitment, performance and credentialing policies. Says Garvin, "Whether you want to work in the Tampa Bay area or elsewhere around the U.S., Lloyd is an employment resource for the Allied professional. Traditionally, many nurses found satisfying careers in Travel Nursing, but the depth of occupational need has changed the scope of opportunities available for everyone with a healthcare-based career, including Allied Health."

About Lloyd Healthcare Staffing

Lloyd Healthcare Staffing is a specialized division of Lloyd Staffing, a 35 year old staffing organization with 12 locations in 7 states. The company recruits nurses and allied health professionals and assists with employment options at healthcare facilities throughout the United States. Lloyd Tampa is located at 9950 Princess Palm Avenue, Suite 232, Tampa, FL 333619. Phone: 813-630-9000.

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