

North Lake Health Center

Community Profile:

Population 7,550 (Lake County)

Location Christmas Valley

Position Description:

Sponsor North Lake Health Center

Supervisor Kathy Cornell, President and Judy Lynch, Vice President

Assignment

The Oregon Department of Human Resources has designated North Lake County as an "unusually high medical need/poverty" primary care service area. The health professional shortage designation is based on distance to health care providers and the area's poverty. The North Lake Health Center offers the only existing services in the 100 square mile area. The RARE participant provides staff support and assistance to the Executive Director of the North Lake Center Board. This includes researching, preparing detailed reports, grant writing, staffing committees and performing related administrative functions.

Required Skills

Experience working independently, ability to function as a team member, and strong communication skills.

RARE Member: *Lorna Flormoe - 1998-1999, Year 5 Participant*

Lorna has bachelor's in International Studies and Planning, Public Policy & Management from University of Oregon (1994). She has completed an internship in Costa Rica where she worked as a program coordinator and community liaison for a wildlife refuge and nearby rural community. The refuge was devoted to conservation and sustainable tourism, whereas the community (receiving no substantial benefits from tourism) saw conservation as an obstacle to economic activities. Lorna created a Nature Tour Guide Training Program to provide the community with training and employment opportunity, youth services, and environmental education. She worked in Colorado for the City of Boulder Open Space Department for several years. She worked on numerous land management efforts including recreational trail design, land use planning, and education and outreach program development.