

Medical

Meeting the medical needs of our guests and crew is our highest priority. When the unexpected happens, our medical team is there to help! Working in a well equipped medical center on board, our doctors and nurses consistently strive to provide high quality primary and immediate care.

If you are a doctor with a minimum of three years post graduate training in areas that include Emergency Medicine, Internal Medicine or Family Practice or a nurse with a minimum of three years recent emergency room or ICU experience with ACLS and BLS certifications and want to be part of this dynamic team, please explore our exciting opportunities.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Do I need to obtain a special nursing license to work onboard?

Your current nursing or medical license is valid onboard (and must remain valid for the duration of your contract period). No special license is necessary for shipboard employment.

Will the company provide malpractice insurance?

Celebrity Cruises will provide malpractice insurance to you at no cost.

What is the schedule? How often do I take night calls?

Physicians and nurses work clinics from 8:00 am to 11:00 am and 3:00 pm to 6 pm, and take calls outside of clinic hours. Schedules rotate to allow for time off.

How long are the contracts? How much time can I take off between contracts?

Contracts for physicians and nurses are six months in length. Typically, our staff take an average of 4-8 weeks off between contracts.

What equipment is available in the medical center?

The medical center is equipped with defibrillator/monitors, 12 lead EKG, pulse oximeters ventilator, infusion pumps, nebulizers, glucometers, lab equipment, a portable x-ray unit as well as a broad range of medications and supplies.

When and how do you disembark a patient who has a medical emergency?

When a patient is too ill to remain onboard, the doctor may choose to disembark a patient to a shore side facility. The method of disembarkation will vary according to the patient's condition, the geographical location of the ship and the weather, as well as the capabilities of the nearest shore side facilities.

How long is the orientation period? Who will be responsible to orient me? To whom would I report?

New doctors and nurses can expect to orient to the position for the first several weeks onboard. Doctors are oriented by (and report to) the chief physician and nurses are oriented by (and report to) the chief nurse.

Is there opportunity for advancement?

Yes! Advancement to chief physician or chief nurse is a possibility with the recommendation of the chief doctor/chief nurse and outstanding performance; as expected, opportunities are also based on staffing needs.

Will I have a private cabin accommodation? Is cabin service available? What about meals?

Yes, physicians and nurses enjoy a private cabin with daily cabin service and free meals.

Does the company pay for my travel expenses to and from the ship?

Yes, for the physicians and nurses, Celebrity Cruises will make the arrangements, and pay for your airfare to and from the ship, when joining/disembarking.

Will the company provide me with uniforms?

Yes, we will provide you with uniforms.

Do I have access to the guest areas?

Physicians and nurses have limited access to the guest areas. Keep in mind that guests always come first! Casinos, guest swimming pools, and whirlpools are for guest use only.

What about compensation? Do I get paid in cash? How do I do my banking? Do I need to open an American bank account?

Both physicians and nurses earn very competitive monthly salaries. If you would like to learn more specific details about the earning potential, we invite you to apply for an available opportunity, and the recruiter will be happy to discuss that with you during the interview process. Please [click here](#) (link to "Getting Paid" section) to see more details about how compensation is paid, and to learn more about how to safeguard your earnings.

How can my family reach me in case of emergency? What happens if I have to leave the ship because of the emergency?

Upon joining, you will be given access to a phone number that your family can call, in case of an emergency; it is a phone number that is operational 24 hours a day, and someone from the office would get in contact with the ship. In the case of family emergencies, Celebrity Cruises will make every effort to accommodate the crew member's requests.