Example Medical Science Liaison job description (small pharmaceutical company)

Description

Position: Medical Science Liaison, Ophthalmology
Reports to: Senior Director, Field Medical
Location: Remote

Position Summary:
The MSL is a remote role focused on developing and maintaining peer-to-peer relationships with key medical experts. This role will primarily support the company ophthalmology program. The MSL will collaborate with physicians and other medical experts to support trial enrollment, provide program and protocol training and ensure that health care professionals have the most up to date information as the clinical development programs mature.

Current geographical areas of need:
• Central/Upper Midwest
• Mid-Atlantic/Southeast

Key Responsibilities Include:
• Develop and maintain peer-to-peer collaborations and relationships with key medical experts in the ophthalmology community
• Support clinical development initiatives including site identification, trial recruitment, registry, and presentation of final approved data
• Collaborate with physicians on medical affairs initiatives including publications, advisory boards, medical education opportunities, training, and speaker development
• Serve as scientific peer-to-peer resource to external disease experts and internal stakeholders
• Support the medical community with up-to-date medical information, robust disease expertise, and product information
• Communicate clinical insights on new data to the company Medical Affairs and to inform medical strategy for the therapeutic area
• Train internal stakeholders on key scientific and medical topics in relevant therapeutic area
• Develop an understanding of the regional landscape including specialties involved in care of patients
• Maintain effective and appropriate communication among internal stakeholders while maintaining full compliance with relevant requirements
• Generate tactical regional plans to provide needs based, value-added support of the medical and scientific community in-line with company goals
• Uses systems to strategically map, identify, profile and prioritize thought leaders in line with the medical plan and goals
• Maintain accurate reporting and documentation of MSL activities

Education, Registration & Certification:
• Bachelor’s degree in chemistry, biology, pharmacy, or other medical related discipline.
• Advanced degree preferred.

Experience:
• At least 5 years of experience in Medical Affairs or Medical Science role
• Robust and current clinical development experience supporting drugs to treat rare diseases; prior ophthalmology experience preferred
• Candidates must have well-established networks and active relationships with KOLs in the ophthalmology community
• Candidate must have an understanding of compliance considerations and demonstrate ability to work compliantly in a field-based role, within the medical organization, as well as across the commercial organization
Skills, Knowledge & Abilities:

- Excellent oral and written communication skills
- Energetically embraces responsibilities, demonstrates ability to achieve goals
- Has strong initiative, and functions well as part of a cross-functional team
- Exhibits excellent time management
- Demonstrated ability to work independently
- Excellent verbal and written communication skills
- Experience in a start-up environment preferred
- Must be pro-active team player, flexible, and ability to work in ambiguous situations

Other:

- Office is home based
- Travel within region up to 75%.
- Required travel to medical meetings, team meetings, and other group meetings (will require some weekends)

Benefits and Perks:

We offer a great benefit package which includes: health insurance with full premium coverage, 401K with company match, paid time off (PTO), long-term disability insurance, life insurance and more!