

Pediatric Endocrinology Physician

Posting Sites:

- American Academy of Pediatrics www.aap.org
- Pediatric Endocrine Society <https://pedsendo.org>

Ventura, California is Seeking a Pediatric Endocrinologist

Ventura County Health Care Agency is seeking a Pediatric Endocrinologist at the Pediatric Diagnostic Center (PDC), a combination primary care/specialty clinic that utilizes a team approach. If you are interested in seeing complex (and some non-complex) patients in a collaborative environment that very much has the feel of an academic position without the academic stresses, contact the Center's Administrator, Sean Lovitt to learn more (sean.lovitt@ventura.org, 805-652-6160, or 520-329-0903).

Pediatric Diagnostic Center History

The PDC was founded in 1989 to ensure that California Central Coast children and adolescents receive the highest-quality care—even for complex conditions—closer to home. PDC is a unique outpatient clinic located on the Ventura County Medical Center campus (Level II trauma center with Level III NICU and PICU) with true clinical collaboration between primary care physicians and specialists, and with hospital-based providers.

Twelve pediatric medical specialties, along with primary care, dentistry, optometry, and mental health, share the same physical space and patients. We serve patients on all insurance plans, but see a high percentage of patients enrolled in Medicaid. We are a Federally Qualified Health Center and a California Children's Services Specialty Care Center for Endocrinology and Diabetes, as well as other conditions.

PDC trains residents from the top-5-ranked Ventura County Medical Center Family Medicine Residency program.

About the Position

This is a primarily outpatient position, seeing patients in a team-based approach. You would be the second (of 2) Pediatric Endocrinologists. Call is home-based, light, rarely requires in-hospital consultations, and is split with the other Endocrinologist; Diabetes call is split with a third physician. Compensation is very competitive.

The patients seen at PDC are frequently complex with concurrent diagnoses and underlying social challenges, but we also see patients who are the children of other physicians throughout the county. The focus of the position will be approximately 50% endocrinology; 50% diabetes management. Patients and parents are exceedingly grateful to be seen locally, rather than being forced to commute to Los Angeles or San Francisco.

There are opportunities for affiliation with Children's Hospital of Los Angeles and to explore professional interests beyond pure clinical responsibilities (e.g., research, administration, teaching, etc.)

Work-Life Balance in Ventura

Beyond the above, why choose Ventura?

Ventura is the best-kept secret beach community in Southern California!

It has a small city feel with access to some of the best restaurants, shopping, entertainment, and sports in the world.

If you love the outdoors, you have:

- Biking, hiking, running, and walking trails along the beach and into the mountains
- Surfing, paddleboarding, and boating nearly every day of the year (several physicians surf before work)
- Sun every day, but near-constant 70-degree days (many houses don't have A/C—no need!)
- Yosemite, Sequoias, Mammoth ski area, Death Valley, Rivers, Lakes within a few hours' drive
- Access to the Channel Islands National Park for hiking and camping
- Quality schools, including dual-language immersion and a public elementary school on the beach (literally)
- Wine Country is in nearly every direction (except the west, obviously)
- The most amazing summer camps any kid (or parent) could want (e.g., sailing, surfing, lifeguard, survival, art, drama, robotics, etc.)

All of the comforts that most of us enjoy—good restaurants, spas, boutiques, farmers' markets, etc.

This is the position that you dreamed about during those tough residency & fellowship nights—the opportunity to practice the medicine you love, the way you like to practice, with the patients you care about, in the location that you dreamed of living.