

Sr. Specialist, QA Compliance

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USA

Summary

The Senior Specialist, Quality Assurance Compliance supports the implementation of robust Quality Systems for the Durham Site of Novartis Gene Therapies, considering global regulatory and local requirements of the organization. This role contributes significantly to the execution of these systems, authors or contributes to the procedures governing these systems and works towards timely implementation, including support of Quality Management Review, ownership/execution of Self Inspection program and in the management of health authority inspections.

Location: Durham, NC #LI-Onsite, Hybrid

About the Role

Key Responsibilities:

• Contributes significantly to the Readiness Program; site inspection preparation, program

- management, response and commitment process for health authority inspections.
- Leads site self-inspection program including preparation of risk based annual audit plan, lead auditor responsibilities, audit agendas, inspection reports and CAPA plan approvals.
- Provide strategic quality input on the design and architecture of Novartis Gene Therapies Quality Management System.
- Supports the development and oversight of robust quality systems, including both implementation and operation at site level.
- Supports management to implement and maintain the following programs: Annual Product Quality Review (APQR), Compliance Alert actions, and Novartis Global document assessments required to be performed at the site level.
- Supports supplier monitoring and oversite activities including audit responses, CAPAs, and evaluation of supplier risk levels.
- Supports the site level Quality Management Review (QMR) program including monitoring and reporting key performance indicators, as appropriate.
- Performs duties as assigned to ensure compliance with global and local regulations.
- Represent Quality Assurance Compliance team on project teams and in meetings as needed.
- Support the continuous improvement and oversight of QA Compliance programs through planning and implementation.
- Identifies and implements new technologies to improve compliance an efficiency of QS operations.
- Adheres to all GMP requirements.
- Ownership of Compliance Records relevant to quality systems responsibilities (Change Records, CAPAs, Quality Events, Deviations as needed).

Essential Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree in Life Sciences or Chemistry (preferred) or related relevant degree with 7
 years of experience in GMP manufacturing operations, Bio-Pharma or Gene therapies
 preferred.
- Previous experience in QA Compliance including self inspections, health authority inspections and supplier auditing, preferably with a minimum of 2 year's of experience as a lead inspector.
- Experience reviewing systems and analyze data (paper or electronic) to identify specific compliance and data consistency issues.
- Previous Quality Assurance experience required, including Data Integrity (ALCOA+) compliance.
- Ability to apply a phase appropriate, risk based approach to QA operational decisions.
- Experience supporting cGMP manufacturing operations through administration and enforcement of the Quality Management System.
- Proficient in cGMP/ICH/FDA/EU regulations and guidelines and experience in US and international regulatory agency inspections a plus.
- Proficient in using Microsoft applications (MS Word, MS Excel, MS PowerPoint).
- Strong follow up and organizational skills and ability to manage cross functional projects.
- Experience with viral gene therapies and/or orphan disease indications a plus.
- Direct experience reviewing and/or authoring standard operating procedures.
- Ability to work well independently and within a team.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills with technical writing experience required.

The salary for this position is expected to range between \$73,500 and \$136,500 per year.

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