

# Veterans Health Administration

## Biomedical Engineering



### Overview

The Department of Veterans Affairs is offering a unique career opportunity in Biomedical (Clinical) Engineering that invites qualified candidates with drive and commitment to serve a very special class of citizens – our nation’s veterans.



### Program Description

The Technical Career Field (TCF) Trainee Program is a two-year program that develops Biomedical Engineers to be effective Program Managers in a VA Medical Center. These fulltime positions provide salary, benefits, focused training, and travel. Upon completion of the program, Biomedical Engineers will either stay at the training site if a position is available or relocate to a different VA Medical Center within the United States where he/she will assume the full responsibilities of a practicing Biomedical Engineer.



### Roles/Responsibilities

Job duties include evaluating medical equipment, managing the medical equipment maintenance program, and coordinating new medical technology implementations. Throughout the training program, the trainee will develop abilities to effectively support and advance patient care by applying engineering and managerial skills to healthcare technology. In addition, the trainee will receive assignments to prepare for higher-level management and leadership responsibilities. Promotion potential exists to the highest levels within the Biomedical (Clinical) Engineering career field. Career advancement can take TCF graduates to all regions of the country and toward numerous health care leadership roles.



### Qualifications

B.S./B.E. degree or M.S./M.E. degree in Biomedical or Clinical Engineering from an ABET accredited program; U.S. citizenship

#### Interested in joining the VA team?

Please apply online at: <https://www.usajobs.gov> and search Vacancy ID 10164378, announcement CASA-10164378-18-LFM-TCF, Biomedical Engineer or TCF Application closes April 5, 2018. Please have your cover letter, resume, and transcripts available. The interview and selection process will begin in early Spring of 2018



### Locations

New Orleans, LA	West Palm Beach, FL
Iowa City, IA	Los Angeles, CA
San Francisco, CA	Portland, OR
St. Louis, IL	Fayetteville, AR
Boston, MA	Milwaukee, WI
Minneapolis, MN	Orlando, FL
San Antonio, TX	Sacramento, CA



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## FAQs



**Q:** I submitted my application through [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov) and have not heard back. Should I be worried?

**A:** If you are selected for an interview, you will be contacted by a prospecting preceptor for formal interviewing this Spring. The hiring process for the government is a multi-step process and typically takes longer than the private sector. Most selectees will begin VA employment June-September.

**Q:** I don't have a bachelor's or master's degree, but I have experience. Can I still apply?

**A:** No, you must have a bachelors or masters degree in engineering from an ABET accredited engineering program to qualify for the position.

**Q:** I have an engineering degree in a field other than bioengineering, biomedical engineering, or clinical degree. Can I still apply?

**A:** Yes, you can still apply if your engineering program is ABET accredited. However, a degree in bioengineering, biomedical engineering, or clinical engineering is preferred.

**Q:** I am not a US citizen, but I have a workers permit via the Dream Act. Can I still apply?

**A:** No, you must be a US citizen to qualify for the position.

**Q:** Does this program require me to travel?

**A:** Yes, the TCF Biomedical Engineering program will require you to travel to attend training courses and conferences.

**Q:** Can I choose where I want to be located?

**A:** VA medical centers seeking a Biomedical Engineer Trainee are listed in the flyer. If you have a location preference, then please state that in your cover letter and select the locations on the USA Jobs applications so it will be taken into account.

**Q:** Will I remain at my training station after the program is complete?

**A:** Trainees are required to move to a new facility after they complete the two years of training. The location will be determined based on needs of VHA; however, typically multiple locations are available for consideration by the trainee.

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