# Recruitment *for* Retention Strategies for Rural & Underserved Communities



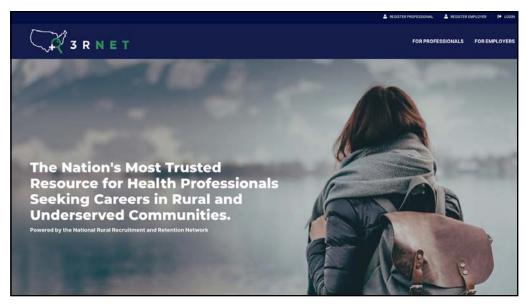
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## **About 3RNET**

3RNET is the nation's most trusted resource for health professionals seeking careers in rural and underserved communities.

Powered by the National Rural Recruitment and Retention Network since 1995.







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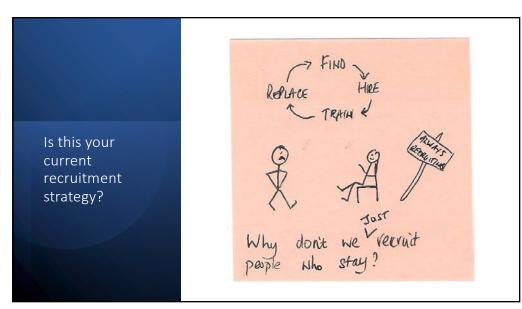


# **Polling Question**

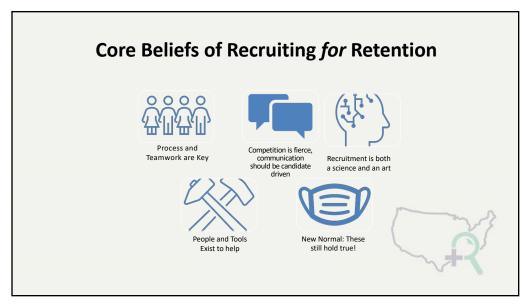


- Who is with me today?
- Recruiter
- HR
- Leadership
- Recruiter-rural

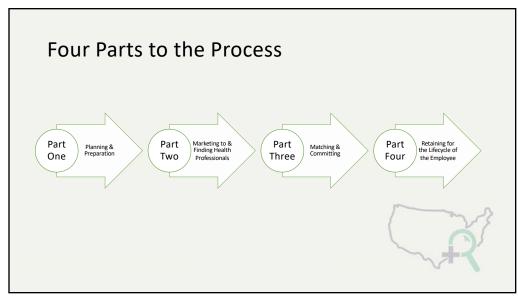
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# **R4R Plan Action Steps**

### Part I Planning and Preparation

- · Assessing the Need
- Forming a Recruitment Team
- · Define Your Opportunity
- Developing a Recruitment and Retention Budget

# Part II Marketing to and Finding Candidates

- · Conducting a virtual self assessment
- Writing an Effective Job Ad
- Using Social Media
- · Where to Source
- Free/Low-Cost Resources

### Part III Matching and Committing

- · Types of Interviewing
- · Brining them face to face
- Negotiations

### Part IV Retaining for the Lifecycle of the Employee

- Onboarding
- · Engagement Surveys
- · Stay Interviews
- · Work/Life Balance
- Succession Planning
- · Compensation Surveys
- Total Compensation Statements
- Communication

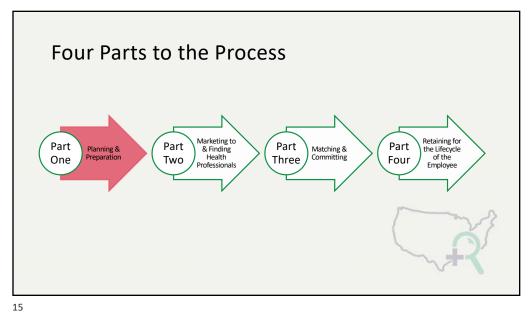


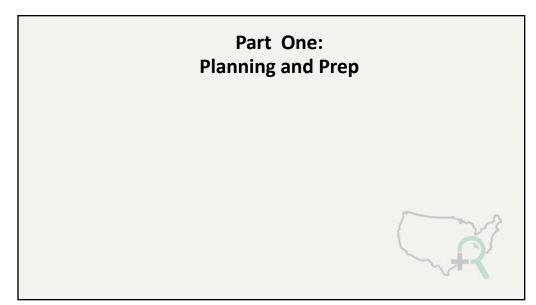
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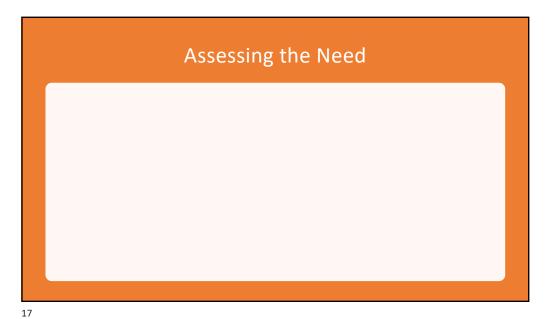
# Question: What is the most neglected part of the process?

- Sourcing Candidates
- Follow Up
- Planning and Preparation
- Background Checks

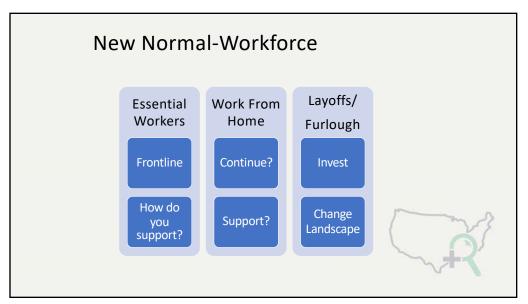
• Planning and preparation are the most important ingredients for ensuring a successful recruitment effort. They are also the most often neglected.
- 3RNet

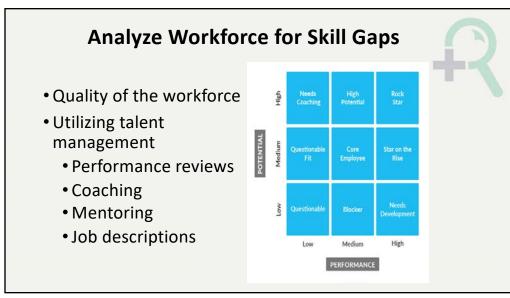












Analyze Workforce for Skill Gaps

- Quantity of the workforce
  - Turnover
  - Retirement
  - New hires
  - Internal promotions

Employees per 1-1-2018

Employees per 1-1-2018

A B C D Turnover Total

Category A (Top 28 2 0 0 15 (33%) 45 Management)

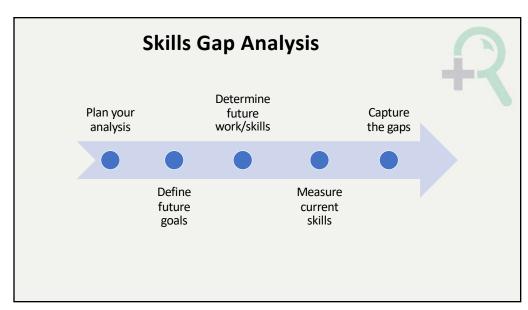
Category B (Middle 10 80 6 0 19 (17%) 115 Management)

Category C (Production Staff) 0 3 860 2 35 (4%) 900

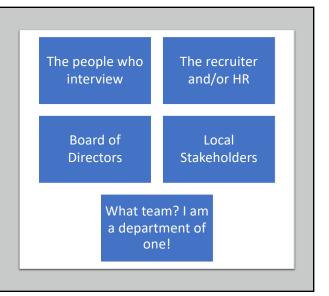
Category D (Support Staff 0 0 3 40 7 (14%) 50 New Hires In 2018 12 25 136 12 185

Total Employees (% growth) 50 (10%) 110 (-4%) 945 (5%) 54 (8%) per 1-1-2019

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Polling Question: Who makes up your recruitment team?



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# National Observations

- Thinking recruitment and retention are only HR's role.
  - · Create recruitment and retention committee
  - Identify key team members for action items in the R&R process-Marketing is playing a big role in R&R efforts
  - · Look beyond your facility for your team
    - Realtor
    - Board members
    - Civic leaders



# Form a Recruitment Team

- Think of your recruitment team beyond your facility, include members of your community
  - Principles of the school
  - Local community people-bankers, real estate agents, Chamber of Commerce. Board Members or other charities
- No matter what the size of your organization this needs to be thought out and roles assigned
- Some members may wear more the one hat in the process, but it is a team effort
- Your efforts will be hard pressed to succeed if you skip this step!



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### **Core Team**

- Recruiter
- HR Partner
- Candidate Interviewer(s)
- •Spouse/Partner/ Family Recruiter



# **Support Team**

- Marketing Specialist
- Interview Team
- Contract Negotiator
- Community Partners

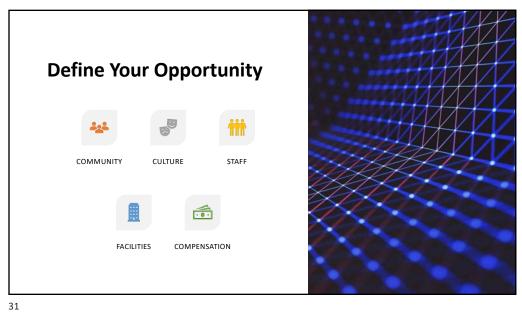


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# Set your opportunity apart by using Unique Selling Points(USP) The USPs will be used in a number of different areas within your recruitment process: job ads, interview questions, on site visits, social media and any additional marketing. A fully defined opportunity will Help you understand your strengths and challenges Help you define your ideal candidate Help candidates better understand whether your opportunity is right for them









# National Observations

- Compensation concerns
  - Perception that safety net facilities aren't fiscally stable
  - Pay isn't comparable to competitors
  - Paying employees market value
  - Pay isn't the most important thing



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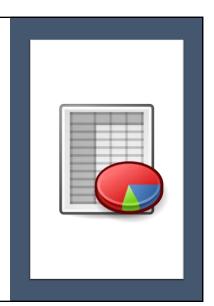
# **Define Your Opportunity**

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- Packaging Your Opportunity
  - The USPs will be used in a number of different areas within your recruitment process: job ads, interview questions, on site visits, social media and any additional marketing.
    - Attractive graphics, attractive font, nice layout, short bullet points, emphasis USPs, and contact information including email/phone number.
  - Promotional Materials on Community/Area- promotional pieces from Chamber of Commerce, local tourism agencies, economic development agencies. Include maps, brochures, flyers, posters even videos.

# Polling Question: Do you create a recruitment budget?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe
- Is my CEO/CFO in the room?



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# Develop a Recruitment Budget

- Knowing your cost can help you make sound strategic decisions.
- Think through with your recruitment team from to ensure you capture all expenses around recruiting in your recruitment budget.
- Create a budget for both recruitment and retention activities.





Develop a Recruitment Budget





**Candidate Screening** 

# Do different candidates want different things in a job?

- A. Yes
- B. No



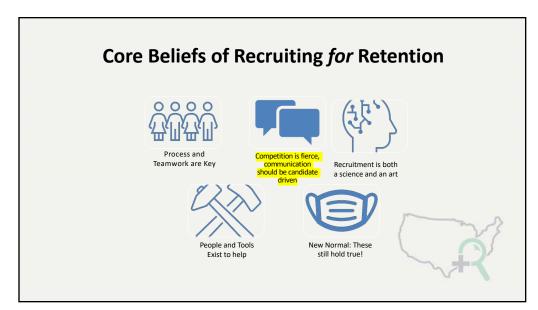
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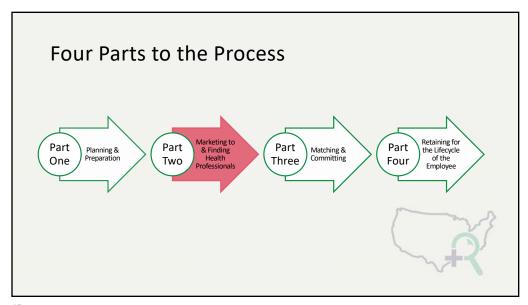
# So, is it possible to strategically target candidates based on our strengths?

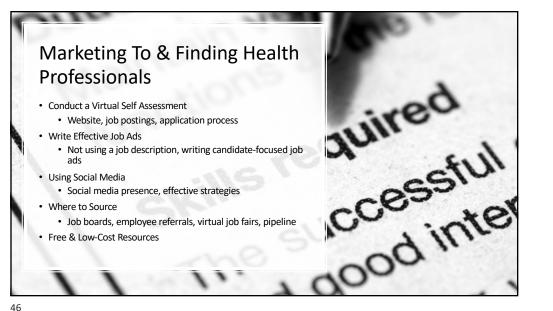
- A. Yes
- B. No
- C. This sounds complicated. I'm happy with anyone.











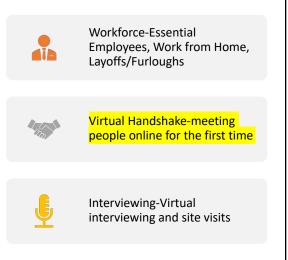
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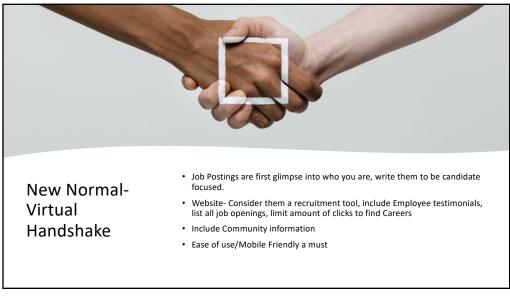
- Job ads NOT job descriptions
  - Need to market your opportunity
  - VIRTUAL HANDSHAKE
  - · Candidate-focused wording
  - · Leverage social media
  - Links: websites, videos, testimonial videos from current staff
  - Photos: Your people (testimonials), facilities, surroundings
  - · Maps and attractions



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# Impact of Covid 19 New Normal







# The Most Important Thing to Remember

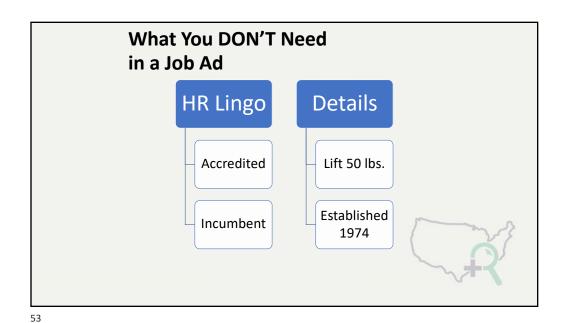
People buy products for their own reasons, not yours (and you are selling a product)



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You only want one thing in a Job Ad

What matters to a candidate!!



Answer These Candidate

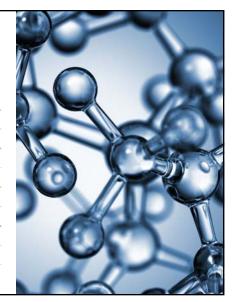
Questions

Belonging Am I the kind of person you're looking for Acceptance

Fulfillment Will I be content
Engagement

Esteem Will I be respected
Employer of Choice

Prosperity Will I thrive
Employer of Choice



# What's YOUR

# competitive advantage:

- Belonging: Your Story, Employees' Stories, Teamwork. We're looking for a motivated, mission-driven nurse who is looking to be a part of our growth, as well as their own.
- Fulfillment: Quality Care, Clinical Autonomy, Making a Difference. We see patients from pre-birth on up. We pride ourselves on our ability to provide healthcare for all aspects of our patient's health and wellbeing.
- Esteem: Leadership, Opportunities to Teach, Employer of Choice. Our team is just that: a team. We thrive around our culture or respecting a teambased approach to care.
- Prosperity: Loan repayment, competitive pay, Compensation Package. Our culture emphasizes our team members health and well being as much as our patients'.

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### Writing a Good Job Ad: **Get Input from Staff**

- · What matters to them?
- · Why do they work there (and not somewhere else)?
- Listen for key words and phrases that carry meaning and impact. (think questions on prior slide)
- · What matters to the hardworking, dedicated professionals with whom you already work? Why do they work there, and not somewhere else? Listening here is key! What key words and phrases carry meaning and impact?
- Remember to keep your staff in the loop AFTER you get your ad put together, too.
- · They can create a powerful marketing team to help you get the word out.
- Ask the hiring manager-some good questions to ask are:
   Typical: How can we "self" you job to candidates in a job post? Instead: What's special about this team as compared to other teams you've worked on?
- Typical: What are the ideal candidate traits? Instead: What do your best (Job Title) have in common?
- Typical: How many years of experience are you looking for? Instead: What would be a deal-breaker on a resume? What are you scanning for?

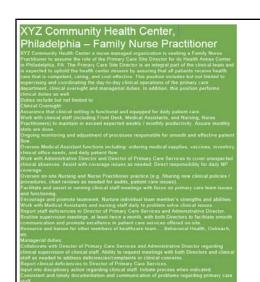


# **Polling Question**

- Do you use the following in your job posting (check all that apply)
- Job description (as the bulk of the posting)
- Links to videos/websites
- Information about your community
- Photos
- Testimonials

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# Writing a Good Ad: Make it Visual Links to Website and others Videos Testimonial video from staff Writing a Good Ad: Make it Visual PhotosPeople, Facilities, Maps and Attractions Mobile Friendly



What not to write...

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# This might work better...

- XYZ Community Health Center, Philadelphia, is seeking a Family Medicine Nurse
  Practitioner with the passion and skills to deliver high quality healthcare. XYZ has been
  providing primary healthcare to residents of Philadelphia since 1973 when it was started in
  a storefront by community organizers. Today, you will join a healthcare organization and a
  staff of almost 50 practitioners at seven locations, delivering primary medical, dental and
  behavioral health care to more than 50,000 patients. Watch our video about why nurse. practitioners choose to work at XYZ.
- We have high expectations for you as one of our nurse practitioners. We need you to:
- Function as a key member of the healthcare team, often in a leadership role
- Provide high quality care that meets specific clinical metrics
   Serve as a mentor to team members and, if you desire, preceptor to nurse
- practitioner students
  Give critical feedback and insights to help XYZ constantly improve
- You should also have high expectations for XYZ as an employer. Our nurse practitioners enjoy the clinical autonomy to practice at the top of their licenses, and you will too. Every day, you should leave XYZ knowing that you have made a positive difference.
- XYZ is a registered site for the National Health Service Corps and the Pennsylvania state
  loan repayment program, giving you the opportunity to apply for \$50,000 or more in loan
  repayment. We offer a salary that meets market values for the Philadelphia area and is
  based on experience. XYZ also provides \$2,000 per year in continuing education and
  professional dues compensation, and your liability insurance will be covered under the
  Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA).
- <u>Philadelphia is a vibrant urban center</u> with a relatively low cost of living and many cultural and entertainment opportunities. This historic city, home to the nation's first hospital and some of the best universities, is only an hour and a half from beaches, mountains and farmland.
- If we sound like the kind of dynamic, caring organization that meets your requirements, please send your CV to...



# Or Even Better...

- XYZ Community Health Center, founded in Philadelphia 1973, is seeking a Family Medicine Nurse Practitioner with the passion and skills to deliver high quality healthcare. Join a staff of almost 50 practitioners at seven locations, delivering primary medical, dental and behavioral care to more than 50,000 patients.
- Watch our video about why nurse practitioners choose to work at XYZ. We want to talk to you if you can: lead healthcare teams; provide high quality care; mentor team members; and help XYZ constantly improve. You'll enjoy the clinical autonomy to practice at the top of your license and make a positive difference every day.
- We offer a salary that meets market values for the Philadelphia area plus continuing education and professional dues compensation. Liability insurance covered under the Federal Tort Claims Act (FTCA). National Health Service Corps and Pennsylvania state loan repayment programs are possible. Interested in this dynamic, caring organization? Send your CV to...

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# Or EVEN Even Better...

- Job Pitch: Reception/Check In
- As our Check In Person, you will use EPIC, to check in patients that will get their medical needs met. Every day we'll rely on you to multitask priorities while managing the flow of incoming patients. To thrive in this role, you should have an interest in creating a career in helping people get the medical treatment they need. We'll teach you everything else you need to know. To Apply: bit.ly/xysi190



# Audit job posting to be Inclusive

### Clarity

- No buzzwords like Top Talent, Self-starter, Fast Paced, just daily activities or experiences
- Shorter is better (250 words), keep it to a Social Media Post
- Our attention span is shorter and more than likely your posting will be viewed on a mobile device

### No Guessing

- Job titles are confusing and very employer specific
- Try Googling Office Assistant (4500 hits) and Administrative Assistant (80,000 hits), even if you use Office Assistant internally when writing your posting use the more common title because that is the title that candidates will be searching for.

### o Tone

- Write for people not about the work
- Break up sentence length
- Sounds like a conversation
- · Tip: Use voice to text

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# Delete Bias in your job posting- 100-year-old traditions can equal 100-year-old bias

### Years of Experience

- The number of years can be misleading, for example, a CEO of a small company, which has an annual budget of \$300K and has been in that role for 9 years vs. CEO of a company with \$50 million annual budget and 3 years of experience, if you listed minimum five years of experience you may lose out on qualified talent.
- It the type of experience not necessarily the years of it.
- Qualify don't Quantify.

### No Bulleted List

- Bullet list can be seen as a barrier to those don't have the privilege of college education or experience.
   To expand you candidate pool and to keep from deleting hope focus on a job pitch instead.
- For Example:
  - As our (Job Title), you will help\_\_\_\_ so they can\_\_\_\_
  - Every day you will....
  - To thrive you must...
- Remember Job Pitch

## Delete Bias in your job posting- 100-year-old traditions can equal 100-year-old bias

- · Watch for gendered language
- . Do include money, but don't include benefits
  - You can include salary ranges on the posting but be sure to explain them, "Salary starts at \$X and goes up to \$X, the person who gets the upper end of the range will have supervised # of people."
  - Unless there is something extremely unique about benefits, you can you save that space for more on the daily activities. Most benefits are in the same ballpark.
- College Education
  - In some cases, a college education is necessary, but for those positions it isn't a college education can be seen as a privilege.
  - Instead, for those roles that it isn't necessary, focus on what success looks like in the role. Skills + Qualifications =" Here's what success will look like..."

    •Degree Requirements = "To thrive in this role, you've...."

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# Websites



Consider as a recruitment tool



# Websites

- Application Process
  - What barriers exist?
  - How cumbersome is the application process
  - Is it easy to complete on a mobile device?
  - How is the job posting?
  - What call to action to apply?

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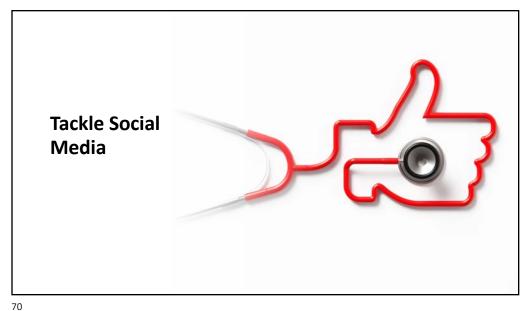
# Google

- Google Yourself(your company)
  - · What comes up?
  - Have you claimed your site on Google?
  - How do address negative reviews?
  - What comes up about your community?
  - What links can you include on your website or job ad?

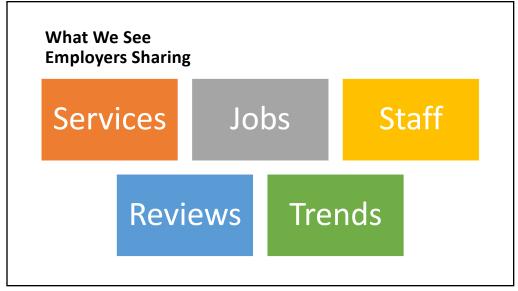
# **POLLING QUESTION**

- Do you see social media as part of your recruitment strategy?
  - Absolutely! We're already doing this.
  - I see the potential, but have some questions.
  - I'm not too sure about this idea.
  - Not a chance!









#### **Great Content Sources**

- Blogs:
- Kevin MD
- Kaiser Health News
- Local News Find other health care related blogs: <a href="https://www.sgu.edu/blog/medical/top-medical-blogs/">https://www.sgu.edu/blog/medical/top-medical-blogs/</a>
- · Local and Statewide:
- State Health Department
- State Hospital Association
- Primary Care Association
- State Office of Rural Health
- · Area Health Education Centers
- Medical Schools

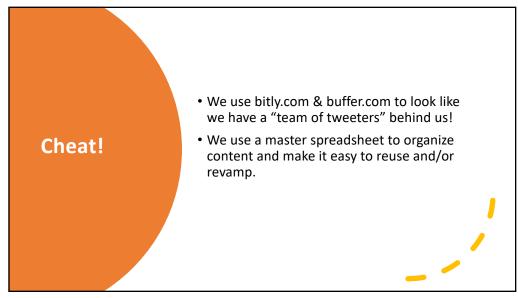


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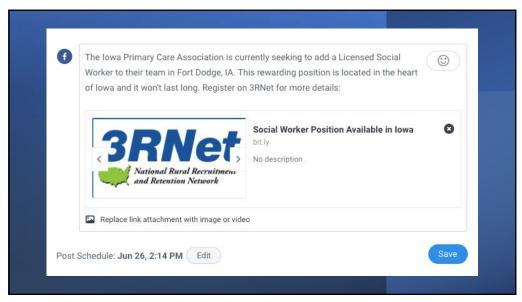
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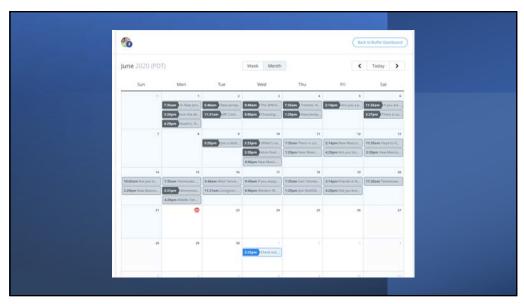
- National Associations & Federal Resources
- National Rural Health Association (NRHA)
- American Medical Association (AMA)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
- National Institute of Mental Health (NIHM)
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services (SAMHSA)
- Indian Health Service (IHS)
- Veterans Administration (VA)
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)









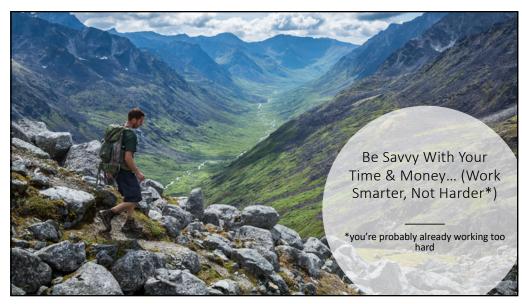


#### Social Media Ads

- Target a small audience or a national audience (many, many ways to target)
- Reach a few hundred or few thousand people with a shoestring budget



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#### Free & Low Cost Resources We Use

- www.fiverr.com marketing & digital products/services starting at \$5
- Weebly easy-to-use website builder (we built www.academy.3RNet.org using this)
- Bitly.com & buffer.com
- Canva.com (create graphics online for free!)



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#### **Royalty Free Stock Images**

- www.pexels.com
- www.unsplash.com
- https://pixabay.com/
- <a href="https://www.freeimages.com/">https://www.freeimages.com/</a>
- https://stocksnap.io/
- https://burst.shopify.com/
- https://www.reshot.com/
- https://gratisography.com/
- https://kaboompics.com/
- <a href="https://picspree.com/en">https://picspree.com/en</a>



#### Paid Stock Image Websites

- Shutter Stock
  - Subscription
    - 10 images = \$50/month
    - 50 images = \$125/month
  - 350 images = \$199/month
  - On Demand Packs
    - 2 images = \$29
    - 5 images = \$49
    - 25 images = \$229
- iStock Photos
  - Subscription
    - 10 images, 1 year = \$70/month
    - 25 images, 1 year = \$120/month
    - 10 images, 1 month = \$99
    - 25 images, 1 month = \$149

- Stock Photo
  - Month-to-Month
    - 5 images = \$39/month
    - 50 images = \$59/month
    - 100 images = \$69/month
    - 150 images = \$99/month
  - Yearly
    - 5 images/month = \$389
    - 50 images/month = \$599
- 100 images/month = \$699 • Adobe Images
  - Annual Commitment
    - 10 Images/month = \$29/month
    - 40 images/month = \$79/month
  - Month-to-Month
    - 3 images/month = \$29/month
    - 40 images/month = \$99/month

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#### Writing Editors & Web Displays

- Writing editors
  - Hemmingway Editor <a href="http://www.hemingwayapp.com/">http://www.hemingwayapp.com/</a>
  - Grammarly (google chrome add on) https://www.grammarly.com/
  - Readability Score https://readable.com/
- Show how your website text and photos will display on different devices
  - https://material.io/resources/resizer/ free
  - https://search.google.com/test/mobile-friendly free
  - <a href="https://www.responsivedesignchecker.com/">https://www.responsivedesignchecker.com/</a> free
  - <a href="https://designmodo.com/responsive-test/">https://designmodo.com/responsive-test/</a> free



## Graphics

- Most of these have a free version as well as a premium paid version
  - <a href="https://www.canva.com/">https://www.canva.com/</a>
  - https://www.befunky.com/features/graphic-designer/
  - https://crello.com/
  - https://www.figma.com/graphic-design-tool/
  - <a href="https://pixteller.com/">https://pixteller.com/</a>
  - <a href="https://pablo.buffer.com/">https://pablo.buffer.com/</a>
  - https://desygner.com/
  - https://snappa.com/
  - https://www.designer.io/en/



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#### **Video Tools**

- Create video for free or low cost
  - <a href="https://screencast-o-matic.com/">https://screencast-o-matic.com/</a> -\$1.65/month
    - Screen record, edit videos
  - https://www.moovly.com/ free
  - https://www.flexclip.com/ free
  - https://www.renderforest.com/video-maker free for limited use
  - https://motionden.com/video-maker\_-\$9/video, pay-as-you-go
  - Edit videos through Windows Movie Maker or iMovie



## **Image Editors**

- https://pixlr.com/x/
- https://www.iloveimg.com/
- https://www.picmonkey.com/photo-editor
- https://www.gimp.org/
- https://ipiccy.com/
- <a href="https://www.ribbet.com/">https://www.ribbet.com/</a>



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## Make It Easy

- Create a fillable PDF
  - With Adobe Acrobat
    - Open Acrobat
    - Click on the "Tools" tab and select "Prepare Form."
    - Select a file or scan a document:
    - Acrobat will automatically analyze your document and add form fields.
    - Add new form fields:
      - $\bullet\,$  Use the top toolbar and adjust the layout using tools in the right pane.
- Messaging
  - https://www.intercom.com/
    - A way to message with customers





# Signs & Software

- Vistaprint Print items shipped to your door
- Techsoup Discounts on software for nonprofits
- FedEx signs

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# Other Tips & Tricks

- Use your email signature to market your organization (Logo, website link, social media, upcoming events)
- Use those who make up your "Network" (for us, it's our Members - our greatest marketers) to help promote

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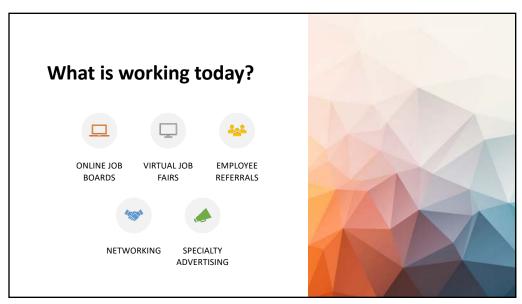
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# **Polling Question**

- Which resources do you use to source candidates? (check all that apply)
- Job Boards
- Search Firms
- Print Advertisements
- Email campaigns
- Networking





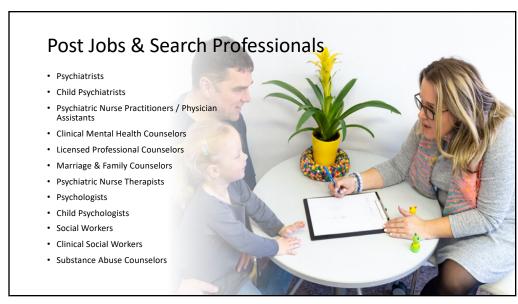


# Posting Jobs on 3RNET

- Get Approved as an Employer
  - www.3RNET.org/For-Employers
  - No cost to apply
- Start Posting
  - Can post any number of jobs (clinical and non-clinical)
  - Email sent to interested job seekers when your jobs are added
  - Referrals made to you weekly by your 3RNET Network Coordinator
  - Job posting is MUCH easier with new website!
- Share & Inspire
  - 3RNET.org/First-Next-Forever



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# Virtual Job Fairs • Virtual Job Fairs • Participate in "dress rehearsals" if given the opportunity with the vendor • If visiting residency programs virtual see if you can still provide food, i.e. food truck • Use a Zoom call as backup if the platform goes down • Use a Zoom call to "coordinate" with those staffing your job fair • Have information readily available to cut and paste in chat about the job opportunity



# Specialty Advertising

- Can be effective but expensive
- Target a type of employee or unique benefit
- Think print and digital platforms.





## Takeaways

- Recruitment is a process
- · Know what the right person looks like
- It's a team effort
- Identify and communicate strengths
- Invest in challenges
- Know your cost
- Don't skip planning
- Communication should be Candidate Driven
- Look for barriers to viewing and applying for your positions
- Create a Lasting First Impression
- Tackle Social Media
- Work Smarter, not Harder with Time & Money Saving Tools
- Share Your Value Through Teamwork

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