



## Orthopaedic Opportunity

Rapides Regional Medical Center is actively recruiting two BC/BE Orthopaedic Surgeons to start a new practice as an employed physicians in our community. The Emergency Room Ortho call will be 1:5. The ideal candidates will have experience or additional training in Trauma. Hospital will be certified as a Level II Trauma service in early 2012. We have a deficit of 11.4 Orthopaedic Surgeons in our service area, and have increased significantly the amount of trauma cases presenting in our ER, so an experienced trauma/general Orthopaedic Surgeon can hit the ground running. The economic forecast for our hospital is very bright, with a new \$50 million dollar expansion completed in 2008. Rapides Regional is an award winning facility and market leader for central Louisiana with a Cycle II Chest Pain Certification as well as Joint Commission Stroke Accredited Center, one of the few in Louisiana with these designations. Also recently named by U. S. News as the third in the state of Louisiana. Louisiana is a Tort Reform State (capped malpractice claims), which makes this a very physician friendly practice opportunity. Benefits of this opportunity include no capitated insurance contracts, little managed care intrusion, large medical society, safe neighborhoods with housing styles ranging from eighteenth century to modern construction. A strong primary care referral base and medical staff combine to give the new physician an opportunity to build a very successful practice - very quickly. We will provide a competitive salary, WRVU productivity bonus, overhead, malpractice insurance, relocation and wonderful benefits such as 401K, health, paid time off and many more benefits. In addition, we may be able to provide a sign on bonus. This is a great opportunity for a motivated Orthopaedic Surgeon to practice in the lovely, rapidly growing area of central Louisiana.

With a continued emphasis on progressive care, Rapides Regional has grown to meet the continually changing needs of our patients and the rapidly advancing technology of modern healthcare. Licensed for 314 beds, Rapides Regional is fully accredited by the Joint Commission on the Accreditation of Health Care Organizations. The medical staff includes over 250 physicians in more than 30 medical specialties. Rapides Regional offers a wide array of services, including general medicine, general surgery, cardiovascular surgery, bypass surgery, cardiac rehabilitation, neurology, neurosurgery, intensive care and telemetry, oncology services, senior behavioral health services, obstetrics and gynecology, pediatrics, neonatal, pediatric intensive care, orthopedic services, physical therapy, skilled nursing services, respiratory therapy, lithotripsy and various outpatient services. To meet the increasing demands for healthcare, Rapides Regional completed a new \$50 million dollar expansion to our facility. The \$50 million dollar expansion to the hospital included a four-story tower, a new emergency department with 25 beds, a 26-bed Intensive Care Unit and two additional floors providing 72 patient beds. The expansion consists of 125,000 square feet of new construction and approximately 4,500 square feet of renovation to the existing lobby area of the hospital. We now can provide greater technology with state-of-the-art equipment, a larger emergency room to accommodate more patients, and patient and family friendly emergency room waiting area with a designated "children's play area". Our continued focus and emphasis will be on patient safety. New patient rooms with the most up to date technology will feature comfortable accommodations with family members in mind.

Alexandria is an attractive, family-oriented community that is often referred to as not too big, not too small. We recently celebrated our 200th birthday! The city was ranked 7th in affordability by a national publication in 2005 and the economic forecast is bright, named one of the fastest growing regions of the state. In addition to excellent schools, three universities and very reasonably priced homes, the city is proud of its cultural accomplishments including museums, theatre groups, a symphony, a ballet company, a wonderful zoo, just to name a few. Central Louisiana is perhaps best known as Sportsman's Paradise. Canoeing, boating, water sports, hunting and camping facilities abound. If you prefer golfing there are five beautiful courses, including one listed on the Audubon Trail. In addition, easy access to some of the states larger metropolitan areas including Baton Rouge, Lafayette and Shreveport make Alexandria the "Crossroads of Louisiana". Alexandria International Airport also offers daily connecting flights to many cities, making travel to your favorite destinations that much easier.

Cultural and family activities abound here in the heart of Louisiana. Whether you enjoy theater, dance, museums, music, history, ballgames or the zoo - we've got it all. Central Louisiana has something for everyone - from rodeos to ballet - from gumbo to sushi - what ever your taste may be. You can spend the morning shopping our unique shops, have a lunch of great southern BBQ or French cuisine, spend the afternoon enjoying the zoo or area plantations, stop in at a coffee shop, browse for antiques and enjoy a fine dinner filled with flavors from our diverse blend of cultures. Then lay your head to rest in a place where presidents have slept or a bed and breakfast overlooking a cotton field - the possibilities are endless. Central Louisiana has plenty of offer, but our true treasures are our people - proud of our heritage, in love with the beauty of our land, loyal to home and family, friendly and full of southern hospitality - ready and willing to help you enjoy your stay here in the heart of Louisiana.

If you would like more information about this exciting practice opportunity, or the community of Alexandria, LA, please feel free to visit our websites at [www.rapidesregional.com](http://www.rapidesregional.com) and [www.cityofalexandrialo.com](http://www.cityofalexandrialo.com) - or give me a call at your convenience at one of the phone numbers listed below. It would also be helpful if you could forward to me a copy of your CV.