Become a Certified Paraoptometric Assistant (CPOA) with Kaiser Permanente's Optometry Department in the Northwest region

We have an amazing new opportunity available at Kaiser Permanente for Medical Assistants interested in expanding their scope into specialty care. KPNW's Optometry Department is offering a career pathway to Medical Assistants (experienced and new grads) to work alongside Optometrists after completing a training program. You would be responsible for patient work ups, diagnostic testing, and assisting in follow up care as a Certified Para-Optometric Assistant (CPOA).

The twelve-week program is hosted by our Eye Care Support Coordinator. The first six weeks are spent learning about eye anatomy, refractive error, and disease & treatments then applying those skills to patient work ups and diagnostic testing. The second six weeks are spent in clinic with a mentor who helps apply the skills learned to a real-world Optometry practice. At the end of two years with the department you will be required to become a Certified Pare-Optometric Assistant.

The training program is located at 10200 SE Sunnyside Rd, Clackamas, OR 97015

To find out more about this amazing opportunity, please reach out to:

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