

Associate Director, Supplier Management Lead

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Summary

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About the Role

Location: East Hanover, NJ (Hybrid)

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Your Key Responsibilities:

- Implement a standardized supplier framework across all Events & Customer Interaction vendors.
- Monitor supplier performance against a set of KPIs to cover areas of cost, quality and compliance and address any issues or concerns.
- Conduct regular business reviews with suppliers to ensure clear alignment of Novartis business needs, review supplier performance and align on future needs or corrective actions.
- Collaborate with Procurement to select suppliers, negotiate contracts, complete risk assessments and ensure Master Service Agreements are up to date and have the correct terms and conditions.
- Manage supplier performance issues in line with the standard issue management process by completing root cause analysis and establishing a corrective action plan with the supplier.
- Monitor corrective action plans to ensure supplier is implementing the required changes.
- Manage a Purchase Order (PO) reconciliation associate to ensure POs are raised, invoices are paid on time and charges are assigned to internal cost centers.
- Coordinate with finance teams to ensure timely and accurate payment to suppliers and resolve any discrepancies or billing issues with suppliers.
- Monitor and track purchase orders to ensure timely delivery and receipt of goods or services.
- Find opportunities for cost savings, process improvements, or supplier consolidation.
- Collaborate with cross-functional teams to implement initiatives and drive efficiency.

- Stay updated on market trends, industry best practices, and new supplier offerings.

Role Requirements

Essential Requirements:

- Bachelor's degree is required
- 7+ years of experience in relevant supplier management, procurement, finance.
- Supplier management: Strong experience in managing supplier relationships, conducting supplier performance evaluations, and implementing supplier improvement plans.
- Procurement and contract negotiation: Experience in working with procurement teams to select suppliers, negotiate contracts, and ensure compliance with contractual terms and conditions.
- Payment processing: Experience in overseeing payment processes, including invoice reconciliation, coordinating with finance teams, and resolving billing issues with suppliers.
- Issue management: Proven ability to identify and resolve supplier performance issues, conduct root cause analysis, and establish corrective action plans to drive improvement.
- Process improvement: Experience in finding opportunities for process efficiency, cost savings, and supplier consolidation, and leading cross-functional initiatives to implement improvements.
- Compliance and risk management: Familiarity with regulatory compliance requirements, risk assessment, and supplier risk management processes.
- Analytical skills: Strong analytical and problem-solving skills to analyze supplier data, identify trends, and make data-driven decisions.
- Communication and collaboration: Excellent communication and interpersonal skills to collaborate with cross-functional teams, engage with suppliers, and effectively communicate expectations and requirements.

Desirable Requirements:

- A degree in a relevant field such as supply chain management, business administration, finance, or procurement is preferred;
- Professional certifications such as Certified Professional in Supply Management (CPSM), Certified Supplier Quality Professional (CSQP), or Certified Supply Chain Professional (CSCP) would be a plus.

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Innovative Medicines

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USA

Site

East Hanover

Company / Legal Entity

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Functional Area

Marketing

Job Type

Full time

Employment Type

Regular

Shift Work

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