



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Health has a career opportunity for qualified candidates for the following position:

Title Nursing Consultant [Classified Non-Competitive]			Salary P28 \$79,848.66 - \$113,786.94
Posting Number 170-23	Position Number 931660	Number of Positions 1	Posting Period * From: 03/23/2023 To: 04/06/2023
Location: Division of EEEOH Communicable Disease Service/IZDP Healthcare-Associated Infections and Antimicrobial Resistance Unit 135 E. State Street, 2nd Floor Trenton, NJ 08625			Scope of Eligibility/Open to: Applicants who Meet the Requirements

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

The Communicable Disease Service (CDS) is hiring a Healthcare-Associated Infections and Antimicrobial Resistance (HAI/AR) Nurse Infection Preventionist (Nursing Consultant) in the Infection Control, Healthcare, & Environmental Epidemiology (ICHEE) Section. This position will support the prevention, response, and containment activities involved with multi-drug resistant organisms (MDRO) and other infectious diseases in healthcare facilities throughout New Jersey; these include acute care, long-term care, and outpatient facilities. Partners with health professionals at the local, state, and federal level regarding issues related to HAI/AR and infection control; including site visits into healthcare facilities and review of clinical documentation, such as medical records and auditing documentation, as needed. Documents infection control assessments and corresponding recommendations, targeting areas for mitigation of transmission within the healthcare facilities. Responsible for providing infection prevention and control subject-matter expertise to help control outbreaks and transmission events within healthcare facilities. Prepares and distribute reports and feedback to healthcare providers, local health departments and other internal partners. Contributes to the development of guidance and educational materials pertaining to infection prevention and control best practices to minimize opportunities for MDRO transmission within healthcare settings. Provides guidance to CDS, regulatory agencies, local health departments, healthcare providers, hospitals and others during MDRO and HAI outbreaks and investigations. The successful candidate will have the ability to work independently, organize, plan, and manage time effectively to complete assignments. The candidate will have excellent written and verbal communication skills and will have expertise and experience with antimicrobial resistance surveillance data, outbreak investigations, infection control, data analysis, and reporting. The ability to travel on-site to healthcare facilities is preferred. The successful candidate will have experience in infection control, care of the environment, and experience working as part of an interdisciplinary team; experience with communicable disease investigations preferred. Preference will be given to those candidates who are Certified in Infection Control (CIC).

REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)

EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree in Nursing or related health field and a Master's degree with a major course of study in Nursing Supervision, Administration, Public Health, Medical Care, Nursing, Health Education, or related health field.

NOTE: Applicants who do not possess the required Bachelor's degree but possess an Associates degree in Nursing or graduated from an accredited School of Nursing may substitute two (2) years of additional clinical nursing experience as indicated.

NOTE: Applicants who do not possess the required Master's degree may substitute one (1) year of additional clinical nursing experience as indicated.

EXPERIENCE: Six (6) years of clinical nursing experience in an acute care, long-term or community-based setting.

LICENSE: Current registration as a Professional Nurse in the State of New Jersey.

Appointee will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform essential duties of the position.

IMPORTANT FILING INSTRUCTIONS

If interested in this position, you can reply in one of two ways:

- Forward the required documents electronically to:
PSTEEOH@doh.nj.gov
- Mail the required documents to:
David Sellinger, Regulatory Officer 2
Epid., Environmental and Occupational Health
Reference Posting #170-23
New Jersey Department of Health
PO Box 369
Trenton, NJ 08625-0369

Required documents:

- cover letter
- resume
- completed application, found at:
<http://www.nj.gov/health/forms/dpf-663.pdf>

** Responses received after the closing date MAY be considered if the position is not filled.*

- *Newly hired employees must agree to a thorough background check that will include fingerprinting.*
- *If you are a candidate for a position in our Public Health and Environmental Laboratories, you may be subject to pre- and /or post-employment alcohol and drug testing.*
- *If you are a candidate for a position that involves direct client care in one of the State facilities/programs, you may be subject to pre- and/or post-employment drug testing/screening. The cost of any pre-employment testing will be at the candidate's expense. Candidates with a positive drug test result, or those who refuse to be tested and/or cooperate with the testing requirement, will not be hired.*
- *In compliance with federal law, all persons hired will be required to verify identity and eligibility to work in the United States and to complete the required employment eligibility verification form upon hire.*
- *In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-7, the "New Jersey First Act", all employees must reside in the State of New Jersey, unless exempted under the law. If you do not live in New Jersey, you have one year after you begin employment to relocate your residence to New Jersey.*
- **The New Jersey Department of Health is an Equal Opportunity Employer.**
- **RESUME NOTE:** Applicants who possess foreign degrees (degrees earned outside of the U.S.) are required to provide an evaluation indicating the U.S. equivalency prior to the closing date. Failure to do so may result in your ineligibility.
- **SAME APPLICANTS:** If you are applying under the NJ "SAME" program, your supporting documents (Schedule A or B letter), must be submitted along with your resume by the closing date indicated above. For more information on the SAME Program visit their Website at: <https://nj.gov/csc/same/overview/index.shtml> , email: SAME@csc.nj.gov , or call CSC at (833) 691-0404.