



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

The Department of Health received a Civil Service Commission decision on August 26, 2020 approving interim appointments for Unclassified Service positions within the Department of Health for an interim Public Health Recovery Division, Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity Enhancing Detection. This interim division is currently established and is expected to remain operational until December 30, 2025.

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| Title ELC Research Scientist 3, Fellowship [Unclassified] | | | Salary P25 \$69,579.06 - \$98,899.62 |
| Posting Number E33-23 | Position Number 961999, 961892, 961893, 961967 | Number of Positions 4 | Posting Period * From: 01/13/2023 To: 07/13/2023 |
| Location: Public Health Environmental Laboratory 3 Schwarzkopf Drive, Ewing, NJ 08628 | | | Scope of Eligibility/Open to: Applicants who Meet the Requirements |

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

PHEL has received funding through the Epidemiology and Laboratory Capacity (ELC) Enhancing Detection fund for four (2 year) Fellowship positions for Advanced Informatics in Public Health Laboratory Science. These positions have been funded in support of the grant proposal for a Distributed Public Health Laboratory Infrastructure (DPHLI). The fellows' expertise is expected to include a background in Public Health, Bioinformatics, Informatics, AI Methodologies, application development, a familiarity in working with IT consultants, network systems, data visualization techniques, and cloud services. The overall goal of the fellowship will be to model and implement a DPHLI with the intended goal of providing statewide near real time actionable information on infectious disease testing, rendered as an integrated information stream to inform public policy while supporting rapid response, enabling mitigation strategies, targeted surveillance, and enhanced surveillance testing.

This is a two-year fellowship position with the Public Health and Environmental Laboratories. Candidates should have a minimum of a master's degree in informatics, and two years of experience working in public health or healthcare environments or are enrolled in an accredited advanced informatics program of study, doctoral prepared or doctoral candidate. Experience in bioinformatics or supervised machine learning, preferred, but not required.

The fellows will work under the direction of the Laboratory Director and Associate Medical Director and alongside scientists and technical personnel within the public health laboratory services unit. Under direct supervision of Research Scientist 1.

REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)

EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's degree in a discipline appropriate to the position.

EXPERIENCE: Two (2) years of experience in a field appropriate to the position.

NOTE: A Doctorate in a discipline appropriate to the position may be substituted for two (2) years of experience indicated above.

LICENSE: Appointees 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 the 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:
PSTLABS@doh.nj.gov
- Mail the required documents to:
**Chova Joyner, Administrative Assistant 2
Public Health and Environmental Laboratories
Reference Posting #E33-23
New Jersey Department of Health
PO Box 361
Trenton, NJ 08625-0361**

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.

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- *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.*