



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Title Research Scientist 1 [Classified Non-Competitive]			Salary R30 \$85,861.39 - \$122,529.91
Posting Number 27-22	Position Number 962029 & 936950	Number of Positions 2	Posting Period * From: 01/06/2022 To: 01/20/2022
Location: Division of Epidemiology, Environmental and Occupational Health Communicable Disease Service 135 E. State Street, 2nd Floor Trenton, NJ 08625			Scope of Eligibility/Open to: Applicants who Meet the Requirements
GENERAL DESCRIPTION			
<p>This position will serve as Regional coordinator within the Regional Epidemiology Program overseeing surveillance, research, and public health response activities associated with reportable communicable diseases, including COVID-19. The position will lead a team of Research Scientists, Nursing Consultants, and Health Data Specialists in the Regional Epidemiology Program and the COVID-19 Local Response Team. The incumbent will ensure that the highest quality of surveillance and epidemiological support services are provided to local health departments (LHDs), healthcare providers, and other public health partners in the assigned regions. The position will be responsible for designing and overseeing routine and specialized scientific investigations and surveillance on sporadic and outbreaks of communicable diseases including COVID-19. The position will review, modify, approve, or disapprove scientific and epidemiologic studies and ensure compliance with appropriate research and surveillance methodology and statistical techniques. This position will work closely with the various groups within CDS, other state agencies and local health departments to identify and research metrics and methods to track the incidence and prevalence of communicable diseases including COVID-19 in various settings throughout the state, such as healthcare facilities, long-term care facilities, congregate settings, schools, and other settings.</p>			
REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)			
<p>EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's degree in a discipline appropriate to the position.</p> <p>EXPERIENCE: Three (4) years of full-time experience in a field appropriate to the position.</p> <p>NOTE: A Doctorate in a discipline appropriate to the position may be substituted for two (2) years of experience indicated above.</p> <p>LICENSE: Appointees will be required to possess a valid 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.</p>			
IMPORTANT FILING INSTRUCTIONS			
<p>If interested in this position, you can reply in one of two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forward the required documents electronically to: <i>PSTEEOH@doh.nj.gov</i> • Mail the required documents to: Steven Bors, Executive Assistant 4 Epid., Environmental and Occupational Health Reference Posting #27-22 New Jersey Department of Health PO Box 369 Trenton, NJ 08625-0369 <p style="text-align: right;">Required documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • cover letter • resume • completed application, found at: http://www.nj.gov/health/forms/dpf-663.pdf <p style="text-align: right;"><i>* Responses received after the closing date MAY be considered if the position is not filled.</i></p>			

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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.*