



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 \$87,578.62 - \$124,980.46
Posting Number 47-23	Position Number 936605	Number of Positions 1	Posting Period * From: 01/17/2023 To: 01/31/2023
Location: Family Health Services/Special Child Health Services 55 North Willow Street, 4th Floor, Trenton, NJ 08625-0364			Scope of Eligibility/Open to: Applicants who Meet the Requirements

GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Under the general supervision of the Executive Director of Special Child Health Services, the Research Scientist 1 will independently initiate and coordinate research and management of the Early Identification and Monitoring (EIM) Program. Develops policy guidelines, administrative procedures, and regulations regarding the program. EIM collects and analyzes data from the Birth Defects and Autism Registry, the Hearing Registry, and the Critical Congenital Heart Defect program. This position works closely with the CDC and serves as the principal investigator on a CDC Birth Defects Prevention Surveillance Grant. The Research Scientist 1 will supervise staff (clinical and non-clinical) who collect data from hospitals and other health care providers under public surveillance laws to ensure that children with mandated conditions are registered and referred for case management services. This position will also work with other programs to create Data Use Agreements (DUA). Additionally, this position will need the skills to merge and analyze data, create public facing reports, and participate in research. As an example, the current research efforts include examining the etiology and relationship of autism and birth defects, blood-lead levels, hearing deficits, and pediatric cancers. The Research Scientist 1 will also need to develop and maintain effective and balanced working relationships with state, federal, academic, and other stakeholders to discuss and resolve issues of regarding the collection, use, and reporting of data to the registries. This position will also review proposed draft regulatory changes for fiscal or programmatic impact and make recommendations regarding the development and revision of agency policies based on changes to state and federal laws and regulations.

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: Four (4) years of full-time 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: 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 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:

PSTFHS@doh.nj.gov

- Mail the required documents to:

**Juliet Taylor, Senior Management Assistant
Family Health Services
Reference Posting #47-23
New Jersey Department of Health
PO Box 364
Trenton, NJ 08625-0364**

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.*