



# VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Title <b>Research Scientist 2 [Classified Non-Competitive]</b>			Salary <b>P28 \$79, 848.66 - \$113,786.94</b>
Posting Number <b>65-23</b>	Position Number <b>067558</b>	Number of Positions <b>1</b>	Posting Period * From: <b>01/18/2023</b> To: <b>02/08/2023</b>
Location: <b>Epidemiology, Environmental and Occupational Health Service Consumer, Environmental and Occupational Health Service Environmental &amp; Occupational Health Assessment Program 135 East State Street, 4th Floor Trenton, NJ 08608</b>			Scope of Eligibility/Open to: <b>Applicants who Meet the Requirements</b>

## GENERAL DESCRIPTION

Under the general direction of the Public Employees Occupational Safety & Health (PEOSH) unit Supervisor within the Environmental and Occupational Health Assessment Program, perform enforcement inspections of public employers who are subject to the health provisions of the PEOSH Act.

Research and prepare for PEOSH enforcement inspections in accordance with the OSHA Field Operations Manual protocols and accepted industry standards including Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) at public facilities located throughout the state, including office buildings, K-12 schools, colleges and universities, hospitals, correctional facilities, institutional facilities, municipal buildings, public works facilities, field worksites, construction sites, and emergency response incidents.

Research appropriate environmental and industrial hygiene sampling methods and collects samples of atmospheric dusts, fumes, mists, gases, and vapors and operates direct-reading instruments to measure physical, chemical, biological, and ergonomic stresses in the workplace environment. Conduct thorough on-site investigations and assessments in accordance with the OSHA Field Operations Manual protocol and develop written reports which document violations of OSHA health standards. Reports also include requirements to abate hazards, abatement dates for violations identified and provide a detailed assessment of the employer's safety and health management program. Candidate should have experience communicating potential hazards to both employer and employees in an effective manner. Strong interpersonal communication skills are required when leading discussions involving labor/management disputes.

Oversight of employers to enforce compliance with regulations, industry standards, and best practices including preparing written programs and providing employee training. Candidate should have experience as an effective trainer on technical health and safety topics including Indoor Air Quality, Hazard Communication, Bloodborne Pathogens, Silica, Biological hazards, Chemical Hazards, Asbestos, and Lead. Ensures employers develop and maintain compliance documents and follow protocols through model programs, fact sheets, web pages, and other guidance documents.

Candidate may be required to pass a fitness for duty physical examination and be approved to wear Level C personal protective equipment, as needed, including an air-purifying respirator, hearing protection, steel-toe boots, Tyvek suits, and gloves. Lifting and handling of equipment up to 50 pounds may be required. Attendance at out of state training courses are required.

Special Training: Appointees will be required to complete eight (8) specialized training courses for OSHA Compliance Safety and Health Officers at the OSHA Training Center in Arlington Heights, Illinois over a three (3)-year period.

## 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:** Three (3) 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:** 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:  
***PSTEEOH@doh.nj.gov***
- Mail the required documents to:  
**David Sellinger, Regulatory Officer 1  
Epid., Environmental and Occupational Health  
Reference Posting #65-23  
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.*