



VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Title Environmental Scientist 2 [Classified Competitive]			Salary P25 \$68,214.76 - \$96,960.49
Posting Number 394-22	Position Number 071272	Number of Positions 1	Posting Period * From: 05/10/2022 To: 07/10/2022
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>Under a supervisory official this position is part of The Infection Control, Healthcare, & Environmental Epidemiology (ICHEE) Section within the Communicable Disease Service Responsible for preventing and responding to Legionnaires' disease and other opportunistic premise plumbing pathogens (OPPPs). This individual will provide subject matter expertise regarding environmental health and water management. Responsible for leading Water Infection Control Risk Assessments of healthcare facilities to evaluate the risk of disease transmission based on identified water sources, potential modes of exposure and transmission, patient susceptibility, and facility policies/preparedness. This position will support Infection Control Assessment and Response (ICAR) activities within healthcare facilities as it pertains to water sources. In addition, this individual will be responsible for conducting outreach to promote the uptake of Water Management Programs (WMPs) among facilities at increased risk of OPPPs, and providing training opportunities to building owners, managers, and staff. During outbreak investigations, they will work in conjunction with epidemiological and environmental health staff to characterize building water systems and components, conducting hazard identification and risk assessments, carrying out sample collection and water quality parameter measurements, and recommend evidence-based control measures.</p>			
REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)			
<p>EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's degree in Biology, Biochemistry, Ecology, Industrial Hygiene, Epidemiology, Toxicology, Physics, Public Health, Occupational Health, Environmental Management, Health Science or other related science.</p> <p>EXPERIENCE: Two (2) years of professional experience in work involving evaluating health effects resulting from exposure to environmental or occupational substances.</p> <p>LICENSE: Appointees will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey.</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 #394-22 New Jersey Department of Health PO Box 369 Trenton, NJ 08625-0369 			
		<p>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><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.*