



# 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.**

Title <b>Research Scientist 1 [Unclassified]</b>			Salary <b>R30 \$87,578.62 - \$124,980.46</b>
Posting Number <b>E21-23</b>	Position Number <b>933636</b>	Number of Positions <b>1</b>	Posting Period * From: <b>01/26/2023</b> To: <b>07/26/2023</b>
Location: <b>Division of Epidemiology, Environmental and Occupational Health Communicable Disease Service 135 E. State Street, 2nd Floor Trenton, NJ 08625</b>			Scope of Eligibility/Open to: <b>Applicants who Meet the Requirements</b>
<b>GENERAL DESCRIPTION</b>			
<p>Under direction of the Communicable Disease Service (CDS), serves as senior scientist, who will be responsible for designing and overseeing routine and specialized scientific investigations and surveillance on sporadic and outbreaks of communicable diseases including COVID-19. Research includes epidemiologic, demographic, healthcare and local public health. Additionally, collecting and analyzing data on disease susceptibility, transmission, severity, risk factors, and outcomes. Research spans existing reportable communicable diseases as well as novel and emerging pathogens such as COVID-19. Scientific research and investigation findings will expand the knowledge of communicable diseases identification, spread, control and prevention and can be used to create new guidelines and recommendations that influence public health policy making in New Jersey. Lead a team of Research Scientists, Nursing Consultant, and Health Data Specialists in the Regional Epidemiology Program and the COVID-19 Local Response Team. Reviews, modifies, approves, or disapproves scientific and epidemiologic studies and ensure compliance with appropriate research and surveillance methodology and statistical techniques. Serves as Primary Investigator (PI) for research studies and coordinates Institutional Review Board (IRB) submissions. Manages high level technical projects and reports results to designated officials for inter- and intra-agency response.</p>			
<b>REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)</b>			
<p><b>EDUCATION:</b> Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's degree in a discipline appropriate to the position.</p> <p><b>EXPERIENCE:</b> Three (4) years of full-time experience in a field appropriate to the position.</p> <p><b>NOTE:</b> A Doctorate in a discipline appropriate to the position may be substituted for two (2) years of experience indicated above.</p> <p><b>LICENSE:</b> 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>			
<b>IMPORTANT FILING INSTRUCTIONS</b>			
<p>If interested in this position, you can reply in one of two ways:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Forward the required documents electronically to: <b>PSTEEOH@doh.nj.gov</b></li> <li>• Mail the required documents to: <b>David Sellinger, Regulatory Officer 1 Epid., Environmental and Occupational Health Reference Posting #E91-23 New Jersey Department of Health PO Box 369 Trenton, NJ 08625-0369</b></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Required documents:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• cover letter</li> <li>• resume</li> <li>• completed application, found at: <a href="http://www.nj.gov/health/forms/dpf-663.pdf">http://www.nj.gov/health/forms/dpf-663.pdf</a></li> </ul> <p style="text-align: right;">* Responses received after the closing date MAY be considered if the position is not filled.</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.*