

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

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

Title Assistant Coordina [Classified Non-Co	ator Veterinary Public Hea	Salary R29 \$83,619.58 - \$	\$119,250.94	
Posting Number	Position Number	Number of Positions	Posting Period *	
634-23	653664	1	From: 09/14/2023 To: 11/30/2023	
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

Under the direction of a supervisory official within the Communicable Disease Service; this position will assist the N.J. State Public Health Veterinarian (SPHV) with supervising the office of Veterinary Public Health (VPH). Responsibilities include developing policy and regulations related to licensed animal facilities in New Jersey: monitoring and regulating the conduct and operation of licensed animal facilities; overseeing Animal Control Officer (ACO) training courses, certification, complaint investigations, and certificate revocation. In addition, this position will assist with coordinating a low-cost spay and neuter program with participating veterinarians across the state, managing dog licensing statistics and revenue, and overseeing the animal rabies vaccination program. Provides consultations to local health departments (LHDs) on regulations pertaining to licensed animal facilities and works with VPH staff to provide training on how to inspect licensed animal facilities, investigate complaints, and take enforcement action when violations are found. The selected candidate will accompany LHDs on site visits for training and inspections and perform inspections as needed. Assists with surveillance of, and the response to, zoonotic disease reports and outbreaks and responding to reportable zoonotic diseases in domestic companion animals. Monitors the incidence of zoonotic diseases, including avian chlamydiosis, Q Fever, brucellosis, hantavirus pulmonary syndrome and rabies, identifying trends and patterns, conducting appropriate investigations, and developing appropriate recommendations for further study or control. Provides education on the prevention of rabies and works with LHDs to investigate potential rabies exposures. Reports findings and collaborates with internal and external partners.

The preferred candidate will have strong interpersonal skills and experience or interest in the field of veterinary shelter medicine. Additionally, the preferred candidate will have supervisory experience and experience in applied epidemiology or as part of an interdisciplinary team.

REQUIREMENTS (EDUCATION / EXPERIENCE / LICENSES)

EDUCATION: Graduation from an accredited school of Veterinary Medicine with a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree supplemented by a Master's degree in Public Health from an accredited college or university.

EXPERIENCE: One (1) year of experience in the field of public health, with a federal, state, or local agency, in the field of epidemiology or in a veterinary public health program.

NOTE: Applicants who lack the Master's degree may substitute one (1) additional year of experience in a state, local, or federal agency as a Veterinarian in Public Health or other related work field.

LICENSE: Appointee will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a motor 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 2
Epid., Environmental and Occupational Health
Reference Posting #634-23
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.
- > SAME APPLICANTS: If you are applying under the NJ "SAME" program, your supporting documents (Schedule A or B letter), must be submitted along with your resume by the closing date indicated above. For more information on the SAME Program visit their Website at: https://nj.gov/csc/same/overview/index.shtml, email: SAME@csc.nj.gov, or call CSC at (833) 691-0404.