

ASSOCIATE PUBLIC HEALTH SANITARIAN

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is professional public health work in non-engineering fields of environmental health which involves responsibilities of a complex nature in the administration of multiple specialized public health protection programs. The Associate Public Health Sanitarian is distinguished from the Senior Public Health Sanitarian by the greater complexity of administrative and supervisory responsibilities relative to public health protection programs. General supervision is received from the Commissioner of Health and higher level Health Department administrators. Supervision is exercised over a number of public health protection employees. Performs related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES: (Illustrative only)

Supervises public health protection staff;
Oversees a variety of public health protection programs, including but not limited to the following: food service establishments, institutions, children's camps, temporary residences, pools and beaches, mobile home parks, housing, rabies programs, non-community water supplies, sewage and general nuisances;
Trains public health sanitarians and health technicians;
Prepares statistical reports for state aid reimbursements;
Prepares technical reports and supervises the maintenance of a variety of program records and files;
Assists in conducting epidemiological investigations relating to food-borne disease;
Consults with municipal, state, and federal agencies, as well as private agencies regarding non-engineering public health programs and conformance with applicable codes;
Develops and implements policies regarding uniform inspection techniques;
Plans and revises public health programs and procedures;
May represent the Department of Health on matters and problems relating to public health protection;
May supply information or offer training that relates to public health programs to groups or organizations requesting assistance.
Performs a variety of related activities as required.

Typical Work Activities are intended only as illustrations of possible types of work that might be appropriately assigned to an incumbent of this title. Work activities that do not appear above are not excluded as appropriate work assignments, as long as they can be reasonably understood to be within the logical limits of the job.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, ABILITIES & PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Comprehensive knowledge of environmental health principles, techniques, and practices, and administration of sanitation laws and regulations, and modern inspection methods;

ability to plan and supervise the work of others; ability to train others in environmental health work; good professional judgment; tact and courtesy.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Either

- a) Bachelors degree with at least thirty (30) credit hours in natural sciences, of which no more than twelve (12) credit hours may be in applied sciences, and three (3) years of experience as a Public Health Sanitarian; or
- b) Five (5) years of experience as a Public Health Technician and three (3) years of experience as a Public Health Sanitarian, deemed satisfactory by the Commissioner of Health.

* Per New York Codes, Rules and Regulations (NYCRR), Title 10, Part 11.

PLEASE NOTE: Education beyond the secondary level must be from an institution accredited or recognized by the Board of Regents of the New York State Department of Education as a post secondary, degree-granting institution.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:

Access to transportation is required to perform field work responsibilities in a timely and efficient manner.