

GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH (GA) invites applications for the position of:

# **Public Health Nurse**

# Georgia Department of Public Health

**SALARY:** \$45,000 - \$51,811.56 Annually

**OPENING DATE:** 01/10/18

**CLOSING DATE:** 01/24/18 11:59 PM

**DESCRIPTION:** 

Location: Hall County Health Department/Ryan White Program, 1290 Athens Street, Gainesville, GA 30507

**Recruitment**: This position is open to all qualified applicants

Pay Grade: K

**Position**: 00001533

Come join the team that's changing the face of public health. We are improving the health of Georgia one community at a time. District 2 Public Health (D2PH) serves 13 counties in northeast Georgia, including Banks, Dawson, Forsyth, Franklin, Habersham, Hall, Hart, Lumpkin, Rabun, Stephens, Towns, Union, and White counties. One of the fastest growing regions in the state, District 2 includes rural and urban communities with diverse public health challenges. At D2PH, we are focused on understanding community health challenges and developing smart solutions that allow us to make an impact in our community. We are a team of intelligent and committed individuals who are passionate about public health and serving northeast Georgia. If you want to make a difference in public health, you should join our team.

The Public Health Nurse serves the people of District 2 through clinical work in our county health departments. This is a highly stimulating position that affords extensive autonomy as nurses train and become public health experts who provide vital services in immunizations, infectious disease treatment and prevention, child health, women's health and many other areas of public health.

In addition to a competitive salary, we offer numerous paid training opportunities; flexible schedules; student loan forgiveness; and a generous benefits package that includes an employee retirement plan; deferred compensation; 12 paid holidays; 15 paid vacation and 15 paid sick leave days per year; and dental, vision, long-term care, and life insurance.

# **JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Under general supervision, provides professional nursing care in accordance with nurse protocols, policies and/or procedures. Focuses on the prevention of illness, injury or disability, the promotion of health and maintenance of the health of populations. Cares for population with special needs during disasters/emergencies and biological and chemical protocols.

#### Provides Ryan services to clients and families.

- Interviews and obtains medical histories on new and returning to care clients
- Order and obtain lab specimens per protocol and HIV Guidelines
- Utilizes nursing protocols to provide care to the clients including HIV care
- Orders and dispenses drugs according the 340 b and the district drug dispensing guidelines.
- Makes appropriate medical and social referrals and monitors adherence
- Home, hospital, institutional visits prn
- Triage clients, assists FNP and MD prn
- Assesses and administers vaccines per district 2 policy

#### Provides health education and instruction to clients, families and District 2 staff.

 Provides clear and accurate information to patient and/or families regarding diagnosis, treatment plan, and preventive care.

#### **Maintains client information**

- Documents client information in the chart and computer in a timely manner and without errors.
- Organizes the client chart so that information can be easily retrieved.
- Keeps chart up-to-date with labs and other reports.
- Remains in contact with client and families through office visits, telephone calls and/or letters.

#### Maintains stock drugs, ADAP drugs and vaccines

Maintains all drugs and documentation per the district drug dispensing guidelines.

# **Quality Assurance**

- Participates in Quality Management projects and meetings
- Attends Ryan White Consortium Meetings

#### **Professional Development -**

- Attends HIV trainings and/or webinars
- Attends District wide trainings and webinars

#### Performs other duties as needed

# **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Bachelor's degree in Nursing from an accredited college or university AND Current Georgia license to practice as a Registered Professional Nurse AND CPR certification OR Associate's degree/diploma in Nursing from an accredited college AND One year of PHN experience AND Completion of a PHN course within one year of hire AND Current Georgia Registered Professional Nurse license AND CPR certification.

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

To be considered for employment at District 2 Public Health you must complete an online application. This job application can be found at <a href="www.dph.georgia.gov">www.dph.georgia.gov</a>. Click on "About DPH" and then "Careers", locate position then click "Apply" to begin your application. Please make sure you have selected the specific job you are interested in and qualified for. You will receive an email or telephone call if you are selected to participate in the interview process. Please do not send hard copies of application materials. All information can be uploaded to the online system.

All qualified applicants will be considered, but may not necessarily receive an interview. Notifications will be sent only to applicants who are selected for interviews.

Applications must include an email address and daytime phone number where applicant can be reached. Incomplete applications may not be considered.

Pre-employment drug screen and criminal records check (fingerprinting) are required.

Note: An applicant who has a disability requiring special accommodations should contact this office. In accordance with Georgia's Drug Free Workplace Act, it has been determined that certain positions warrant pre-employment drug testing.

We are an Equal Opportunity Employer.

For more information regarding employment with District 2 Public Health please visit our website at www.phdistrict2.org.