



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

## **Environmental Health Specialist I**

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**SALARY:** \$32,220.00 - \$38,926.79 Annually

**OPENING DATE:** 01/16/20

**CLOSING DATE:** 01/30/20 11:59 PM

### **DESCRIPTION:**

**Location:** Lumpkin County Environmental Health Office (Primary headquarters), 25 Short Street, Dahlonega, GA 30533; White County Health Department, 1331 Helen Highway, Cleveland, GA 30528

**Work Hours:** Monday - Friday 8am - 5pm--*Three (3) days in Lumpkin County/Two (2) days in White County*

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

**Pay Grade:** H

**Position:** 00005807

**\*\*Please note that this position does require some night & weekend work\*\***

### **COPIES OF TRANSCRIPTS ARE TO BE SUBMITTED WITH APPLICATION**

#### **ORIGINALS TO BE MAILED TO (only needed for those contacted for an interview):**

District 2 Regional Office

1280 Athens Street

Gainesville, GA 30507

**Attention: Human Resources**

This position is with the District 2 Public Health Environmental Health program. Environmental health encompasses inspections of restaurants, septic tanks, tourist and recreational accommodations, complaint investigations, disease investigation (lead, hepatitis A, rabies, etc.) and water sampling.

Come join the team that's changing the face of public health. We are improving the health of Georgia one community at a time. The mission of public health is to promote and protect the health of people in Georgia wherever they live, work and play. We embrace this mission by serving individuals, families, and communities to improve their health and enhance their quality of life.

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.

*In addition to a competitive salary, we offer a generous benefits package that includes employee retirement plan, deferred compensation, 12 paid holidays, vacation & sick leave, dental, vision, long term care, and life insurance.*

### **JOB RESPONSIBILITIES:**

Under supervision, assists in performing inspections, interviews, and technical reviews for an environmental health program in a public health department. Assists in investigating complaints and recommending enforcement action as necessary.

This is the entry level position for the Environmental Compliance/ Environmental Health Specialist job series. Incumbents in the job may require additional training or experience to attain full proficiency in some or all of the job responsibilities.

Under supervision of the EH Manager:

- Learns to interpret regulatory issues, technical issues, and analytical data to properly enforce regulations and document compliance.
- Learns to evaluate programs for compliance with environmental laws/rules, and recommend monitoring and corrective/enforcement actions.
- Learns to conduct environmental evaluations, technical reviews, and inspections.

Upon completion of adequate training under supervision of EH Manager as assigned will:

- Provide inspection/permitting/consultation for compliance of state regulations in the Food Service, Body Art, and Swimming Pool Programs.
- Provide inspection/permitting/consultation for compliance of state regulations for new or repaired on-site sewage management systems.
- Investigate health-related complaints.

### **MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university which included the completion of 27 semester hours (or 40 quarter hours) in laboratory sciences (e.g., chemistry, biology, geology, physics, etc.).

### **PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Bachelor of Science in Environmental Health
- Score of 80% or higher on EHS I Qualification Exam
- Experience with data entry systems
- Experience with field electronic applications/software
- Experience with public relations

### **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 [www.dph.georgia.gov](http://www.dph.georgia.gov). 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. Applications must include an email address and daytime phone number where applicant can be reached. Incomplete applications may not be considered.

Georgia Department of Public Health Commissioner and leaders encourages all employees to engage in regular wellness activities and to make lifestyle choices that promote health and well-being.

The use of wellness breaks during the workday is authorized to support this philosophy and assist employees in meeting their wellness goals. A maximum of 30 minutes in a given workday may be used to engage in wellness activities, generally in the form of two 15-minute breaks or one 30-minute break.

The candidate selected for this position may be subject to pre-employment drug screening and a criminal records check (fingerprinting). In accordance with Georgia's Drug Free Workplace Act, it has been determined that certain positions warrant pre-employment drug testing.

As an employee of D2PH, in the event of an identified emergency you may be required, as a term and condition of employment, to assist in meeting the emergency responsibilities of the department.

Due to the volume of applications received, we are unable to provide information on application status by phone or e-mail. All qualified applicants will be considered, but may not necessarily receive an interview. Selected applicants will be contacted by the hiring agency for next steps in the selection process. Applicants who are not selected will not receive notification.

This position is subject to close at any time once a satisfactory applicant pool has been identified.

District 2 Public Health is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

For more information regarding employment with District 2 Public Health please visit our website at [www.phdistrict2.org](http://www.phdistrict2.org).