



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

**Environmental
Health Specialist
I or II**

SALARY: \$32,220.00 - \$42,819.47 Annually

OPENING DATE: 10/23/19

CLOSING DATE: 11/06/19 11:59 PM

DESCRIPTION:

Location: Banks County Environmental Health (Primary headquarters), 667 Thompson Street, Homer, GA 30547; Franklin County Environmental Health, 6955 GA 145 South, Carnesville, GA 30521

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

Recruitment: This position is open to all qualified applicants

Pay Grade: H (EHS I) / I (EHS II)

****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:

EHS I:

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.

EHS II:

Under general supervision, performs inspections, interviews, and technical reviews for an environmental health program in a public health department. Investigates complaints and recommends enforcement action as necessary.

- Investigates complaints and provides environmental health education and technical assistance to the general public, regulated community and officials.
- Interprets regulatory and technical issues and analytical data to document compliance with State, Federal, and local environmental health laws and regulations.
- Implements countywide programs for compliance, monitoring, enforcement and corrective action in conjunction with environmental health laws, rules and regulations.
- Serves as a compliance officer and primary liaison between public health agencies and facilities, municipalities, institutions, organizations and county and state agencies.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

EHS I:

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.).

EHS I 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

EHS II:

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.) AND One year of experience at the lower level PH Envir Compl Specialist 1 (RCP120) or position equivalent.

EHS II PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS:

- Attendance and completion of the GA EH training program.
- Completion of Standardization on the Georgia Food Code
- Completion of level I and II Certification in the On-Site Sewage Management System Program if assigned duties include Onsite Sewage

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. 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.