



NEW HANOVER COUNTY
invites applications for the position of:
**Environmental Health
Specialist**

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SALARY: See Position Description

DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC HEALTH

SALARY:

OPENING DATE: 07/18/19

CLOSING DATE: Continuous

ESSENTIAL DUTIES:

New Hanover County is seeking experienced and professional Environmental Health Specialist candidates to fill multiple vacancies on our Public Health Services team. The selected candidate will perform independent field work in the areas of food service sanitation or on-site wastewater systems.

Duties in **Food Service** include area assess risk and exposure to environmental hazards with regard to food safety; promote and protect public health through education, inspection, surveillance, and enforcement related to food service sanitation; evaluate establishments to determine compliance with food sanitation and water quality standards; investigate complaints and reports of food borne or other illnesses related to food service operations, childcare facilities, institutions, and lodging establishments. Other EHS duties may be assigned based on authorizations held by the EHS.

Duties in **On-site waste water** in include evaluating site/soil conditions and proposed usage to determine suitability; issuing or denying permits to construct new systems and/or supplies; diagnosing and recommending actions to mitigate problems, and/or noncompliance; interpreting, applying and explaining ground and surface water quality standards; investigating a broad spectrum of environmental-public health complaints and/or reports of illness; and, assessing the risk of exposure to environmental hazards.

New Hanover County's Public Health Services is a fast paced environment comprised of a team of approximately 175 dedicated professionals who stay committed to the County's goal of superior public health and public safety by providing services in the areas of nutrition, personal health, environmental health, school health, maternal health, child health, community health, counseling, epidemiology, lactation, health education and health administration, health policy, and advocacy. Ideal candidates for the our Public Health Services have an eye for detail, the ability to multi task and shift priorities seamlessly and an overwhelming desire to serve the citizens of our county.

New Hanover County strives to hire the best and the brightest employees who are committed to public service. Our employees enjoy an innovative, energetic and employee-focused work environment with top down support that embraces bottom up ideas and engagement. Our talented team of professionals have a passion for providing care and services that effect change on the everyday lives of the citizens they encounter. Our shared values of professionalism, innovation, integrity, stewardship and accountability guide the way we conduct ourselves and deliver services to our customers. If this sounds like an organization that models the values you uphold, we invite you to come and be a part of the exciting, healthy and progressive team at New Hanover County.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Health or related field, including 30 semester hours in the physical or biological sciences and two years of related environmental health experience; or an equivalent combination of education and experience sufficient to successfully perform the essential duties of the job.

Must have excellent communication and interpersonal skills as applied to interaction with coworkers, supervisors and the general public. , techniques for gathering data and interpreting results, federal, state and local environmental and public health laws. Must have computer skills including Word, Excel and Outlook, and the ability to learn new software programs, specifically in project tracking

LICENSES/CERTIFICATIONS:

- Registered Environmental Health Specialist;
- NC Driver's License;
- NC Department of Health and Human Services authorization preferably in the area of Food Lodging and Institutions or On-site Water protection.

OTHER INFORMATION:

Hours are Monday - Friday 7:30 am - 4:30 pm; must be flexible to work as needed on weekends and with weekday schedule adjusted accordingly. Must be available during emergency situations.

The salary range for this position is \$42,532 - \$72,304.

The **hiring range** for this position is **\$42,532 - \$57,418** plus a competitive benefits package.

Salary is negotiable within the hiring range for experienced Environmental Health professionals who meet the minimum requirements of the position, including possession of valid registration with the *North Carolina Board of Registered Environmental Health Specialists Examiners* and authorization by the NC Department of Health and Human Services to enforce state laws and regulations applicable to food safety, drinking water wells and/or septic systems.

Priority consideration will be given to those applicants meeting the minimum education and experience requirements for the position. Applicants meeting the required education and having no experience or only partial experience may be considered at a trainee rate of at least \$19.47 per hour.

This position is open until filled; however, **priority consideration will be given to applications received through Monday, October 7, 2019.**

Applications will be screened by Human Resources and referred to the department. Applicants referred to the department will receive an email requesting important information pertinent to the position applied for. Please be sure to check your email for this communication so we may proceed with the next step in the recruitment process in a timely manner.

APPLICATIONS MAY BE FILED ONLINE AT:
<http://www.nhcgov.com/HR/Pages/JobOpportunities.aspx>

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Environmental Health Specialist Supplemental Questionnaire

- * 1. Do you have a Bachelor's Degree or higher in Environmental Health or a *related* field?
 Yes No
2. If you have a Bachelor's Degree or higher in a field *related* to Environmental Science, what is the field and how is it related?
- * 3. If you have Bachelor's Degree or higher, did your curriculum include at least 30 semester hours in the physical or biological sciences?
 Yes No
- * 4. Are you currently a NC Registered Environmental Health Specialist?
 Yes No
- * 5. Are you currently a Registered Environmental Health Specialist in another state looking to transfer to NC?
 Yes No
- * 6. If you are a current NC Environmental Health Specialist, what authorizations do you currently have?
 No authorizations
 Child Care and School Sanitation
 Childhood and Lead Poisoning Prevention
 Food Lodging and Institutions
 Migrant Housing
 On-Site Wastewater
 Public Swimming Pools
 Tattoos
 Private Wells
- * 7. Indicate the length of your related environmental health experience:
 No related environmental health experience
 Less than 1 year of related environmental health experience
 1 year but fewer than 2 years of related environmental health experience
 2 years but fewer than 3 years of related environmental health experience
 3 years but fewer than 5 years of related environmental health experience
 5 or more years of related environmental health experience
- * 8. Check the areas in which you have had environmental health experience inspecting and enforcing rules and laws:
 Food service establishments
 Lodging establishments
 Childcare facilities
 Institutions
 Public swimming pools
 Subsurface wastewater treatment and/or disposal systems
 Private well water supplies
 Vector control
 None of the above

* Required Question