

RICHMOND COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

127 Caroline Street Rockingham, NC 28379

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SPECIALIST- Food Lodging and Institutions

The Richmond County Health Department is recruiting for an Environmental Health Specialist. Responsibilities will involve a variety of Environmental Health programs including daily enforcement of State laws and rules pertaining primarily to food, lodging, institutions, childhood lead poisoning, childcare centers, tattoo establishments and swimming pools.

Knowledge, Skills and Abilities.

Thorough knowledge of environmental health procedures, policies, statutes, and rules, as well as job-specific program areas. Considerable knowledge of public health law, microbiology, biology, chemistry, food science, epidemiology, soil science, and basic engineering technology as applied to environmental health practices. Working knowledge of the responsibilities of other agencies involved in environmental health work. Working knowledge of the interrelationship between socio-economic factors and environmental health concerns. Working knowledge of inspection methods and investigation techniques as applied in environmental health. Ability to analyze and comprehend a wide variety of technical and administrative regulations, records, and reports. Ability to exercise sound judgement and deal tactfully with a wide range of public contacts while enforcing public health laws and regulations. Ability to educate business and property owners and the consuming public in matters related to protecting and promoting public health. Ability to present formal environmental health training programs. The ability to develop and express ideas and opinions concisely, comprehensively, and clearly in oral and written form. Ability to independently plan and schedule work activities. Ability to apply environmental health standards, guidelines, statutes, rules, knowledge, and techniques in the investigation of environmental health problems.

Educational Requirements

Minimum education and experience requirements are graduation from a four-year college or university with 30 semester hours of course work in the physical or biological sciences and two years of experience in environmental health, or a four-year or Master's degree in environmental health from a program which is accredited by the National Accreditation Council for Environmental Health Curricula of the National Environmental Health Association and one year of experience in environmental health.

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Physical Requirements

This work requires the frequent exertion of up to 25 pounds of force and occasional exertion of up to 100 pounds of force; work regularly requires standing and walking, frequently requires speaking or hearing, using hands to finger, handle or feel, stooping, kneeling, crouching or crawling, reaching with hands and arms, pushing or pulling and repetitive motions and occasionally requires sitting, climbing or balancing, tasting or smelling and lifting; work requires close vision, distance vision, ability to adjust focus, depth perception, color perception, night vision and peripheral vision; vocal communication is required for expressing or exchanging ideas by means of the spoken word and conveying detailed or important instructions to others accurately, loudly or quickly; hearing is required to perceive information at normal spoken word levels and to receive detailed information through oral communications and/or to make fine distinctions in sound; work requires preparing and analyzing written or computer data, visual inspection involving small defects and/or small parts, using of measuring devices, operating motor vehicles or equipment and observing general surroundings and activities; work regularly requires exposure to outdoor weather conditions, frequently requires exposure to fumes or airborne particles, exposure to extreme cold (non-weather) and exposure to extreme heat (non-weather) and occasionally requires wet, humid conditions (non-weather), working near moving mechanical parts, exposure to the risk of electrical shock, wearing a self-contained breathing apparatus, exposure to blood borne pathogens and may be required to wear specialized personal protective equipment and snakes and ticks; work is generally in a moderately noisy location (e.g. business office, light traffic).

Supplemental Information

Must be registered or eligible to be registered as an Environmental Health Specialist with the N.C. State Board of Registered Environmental Health Examiners. All interns must obtain NC Environmental Health Specialist certification within three years of hire.

Must possess a valid license in the State of North Carolina.

Salary

Based on Experience