

C Department of Health

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF JOB VACANCY

TITLE	Research Scientist 3 (Epidemiology) OR Research Scientist 4 (Epidemiology) - 42202
SALARY/ SALARY GRADE	RS3: \$79,849-\$100,645 (G25) (Plus a Downstate Adjustment of +\$3,026) OR RS4: \$88,603-\$109,133 (G27) (Plus a Downstate Adjustment of +\$3,026)
NEGOTIATING UNIT	Professional, Scientific & Technical/05
LOCATION	Healthcare Epidemiology and Infection Control/Hospital Acquired Infection Reporting Programs New Rochelle, NY 12237
MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS	Research Scientist 3 (RS3): Bachelor's degree in epidemiology, biology, life sciences, statistics, biostatistics, social/behavioral sciences, or a related field and four years of professional post-degree research experience in that field; or, a Master's degree in one of the above fields and three years of such experience; or a Doctorate in one of the above fields and one year of such experience. Research Scientist 4 (RS4): Same as listed for RS3 plus an additional one year of experience at each academic level.
PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS	In addition to the above requirements, the ideal candidate will have: current certification in infection control (CIC); experience/familiarity with National Healthcare Safety Network (NHSN); experience in hospital infection prevention and control and/or conducting research to reduce healthcare-associated infections; conducting outbreak investigations; experience providing technical assistance and training to healthcare providers and presenting to professional/scientific audiences; strong organizational and analytic skills; and excellent written and verbal communication skills and the ability to adapt them to various audiences and settings.
RESPONSIBILITIES	The RS3 level will support the Healthcare-Epidemiology and Infection Control (HEIC) and Hospital Acquired Infection (HAI) reporting programs in the Metropolitan Area Regional Office (MARO). The incumbent will perform outbreak investigations of healthcare facility-associated infections, focusing on communicable diseases, such as <i>Candida auris</i> and other emerging pathogens; compile, synthesize and analyze outbreak data for use in investigations and identifying disease clusters; oversee mandated reporting of hospital-acquired infections for acute-care hospitals in the region through NHSN; develop, monitor, and evaluate activities to prevent and control hospital-acquired infections; conduct on-site audits to assess accuracy of reported data and identify deficiencies; provide training and feedback on surveillance methods; and, provide guidance and technical assistance to facilities and other internal and external partners on surveillance methods, infection prevention practices, and outbreak reporting. The incumbent will conduct independent studies/research related to these activities.
	In addition to the duties described above, the RS4 will have increased responsibility and independence, including major responsibilities for all aspects of research projects. The incumbent will interact more closely with higher level staff in DOH and external stakeholders, and may have supervisory responsibilities.
CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT	Appointment level will be determined based on qualifications and skills of the selected candidate. Permanent, full-time, non-competitive appointment. Routine travel, including occasional overnight travel and travel to areas which may not be served by public transportation, is required. (~25%)
ENCOURAGED TO IS PERMITTED TO CURRENT COMPE	Submit a resume, preferably in PDF format, to Human Resources Management Group, DJA/RS3RS4/42202 , Room 2217, Corning Tower Building, Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12237- 0012, or by email to <u>resume@health.ny.gov</u> , or by fax to (518) 473-3395 with a subject line DJA/RS3RS4/42202 . Failure to include the required information in the subject line of your email or fax may result in your resume not being considered for this position. Applications will be accepted until September 15, 2017 . ACTION/EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER. WOMEN, MINORITIES AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES ARE APPLY. PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER 161, NO STATE ENTITY, AS DEFINED BY THE EXECUTIVE ORDER, ASK, OR MANDATE, IN ANY FORM, THAT AN APPLICANT FOR EMPLOYMENT PROVIDE HIS OR HER NSATION, OR ANY PRIOR COMPENSATION HISTORY, UNTIL SUCH TIME AS THE APPLICANT IS EXTENDED A DIA NO. IN THE ORDER 160, DIA
CONDITIONAL OFFER OF EMPLOYMENT WITH COMPENSATION. IF SUCH INFORMATION HAS BEEN REQUESTED FROM YOU BEFORE SUCH TIME, PLEASE CONTACT THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF EMPLOYEE RELATIONS AT (518) 474-6988 OR VIA EMAIL AT INFO@GOER.NY.GOV.	

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