

COMMUNITY HEALTH PHYSICIAN

DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS: This is professional medical work involving responsibility for developing and overseeing community health initiatives, especially as they pertain to health care improvement and disease prevention for communities and the general population in connection with clinic and other programs administered by the Department of Health. The work is performed under the general direction of the Commissioner of Health and supervision may be provided to program directors, technical and/or professional staff, and supervisors. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Researches and gathers data regarding best practices in public health and disease and health care trends, reviews medical research regarding public health issues, including disease prevention, etc., and develops community health initiatives and strategies, and policies and practices, to prevent disease and promote overall good health in the community, etc.;

Acts as liaison with community leaders and groups, health care organizations and providers, the medical community, etc., in order to gather and exchange information and educate others regarding community public health matters, disease prevention, etc.;

Develops and/or enhances existing clinic and other programs in order to improve the health of the population as well as the health needs of communities;

Participates in and monitors programs related to quality improvement efforts;

Oversees community clinics (e.g., WIC, Family Planning) in order to monitor the effective provision of services and the occurrence and spread of diseases;

Develops, implements, and evaluates community health programs (e.g., Lead, Matter of Balance, Tobacco, Diabetes);

Oversees public health programs (e.g., Early Intervention and Pre-K), as assigned, by monitoring services and evaluating their effectiveness, providing guidance to staff, coordinating services between programs, ensuring compliance with regulations, etc.;

Maintains a variety of records and prepares a variety of reports (e.g., visitations, type of services provided);

Reviews case records in order to ensure that they are properly maintained;

Attends and participates in meetings and conferences, as assigned;

Completes special projects, as assigned.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of medicine as applied to public health practices; thorough knowledge of the principles and practices of community medical health, including those that pertain to disease prevention; ability to research disease and health care trends and prepare reports regarding same; ability to understand and interpret written material, including but not limited to medical research; ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing; ability to establish and maintain cooperative relations with others; ability to supervise others.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: Possession of a license to practice medicine in New York State and three (3) years of experience as a physician in a public health and/or community health agency (e.g., family planning, programs for high-risk children, etc.).

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

1. American board of Medical Specialties certification in either Family Medicine or Preventive Medicine must be maintained throughout the course of employment in this title.
2. License to practice medicine in New York State must be maintained throughout the course of employment in this title.

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