



Macon County Health Department

Job Opening

Job Title: COVID-19 Contact Tracing Project Director

Division: Clinical Nursing Services

Minimum Qualifications: Minimum of Associates Degree in Nursing with one (1) year of related experience **OR** a degree in nursing from a college program which includes a practicum experience in public health nursing. Certification of graduation from a school or nursing program approved by the Department of Professional Regulation and a current Illinois license as a Registered Nurse (RN) by examination. One year of supervisory or program experience required. Must have the ability to work with diverse community groups. Registered Nurse must submit proof of 20 Continuing Education Units (CEUs) every license period; copy of license; and copy of CPR/AED card. **OR** Minimum of Bachelors Degree in public health; education; health education; or related field required. One year of supervisory or program experience.

Must have the ability to implement nursing practice and to comprehend program planning; develop program methods and procedures; and establish appropriate referral priorities. Must be able to make independent clinical judgement in program areas and provide educational instruction and assistance to staff relating to clinical aspects of care. Must be familiar with and able to implement medical-legal aspects of nursing practice. Extensive computer experience required. Must have excellent organizational, decision-making, and communication skills and the ability to handle stress and prioritize tasks. Must have the ability to provide leadership. Must have strong interpersonal skills to listen and respond to employee concerns; inquiries and complaints from clients, regulatory agencies, and/or members of the community. Must have the ability to communicate with a variety of personalities and communication styles. Must have the ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing and present ideas and concepts to individuals, boards, committees, and employees. Must have the ability to plan, organize, and prioritize multiple work assignments and projects and manage stress. Must have the ability to independently facilitate work output and interpret agency policies to staff, as well as professionally direct and coordinate the activities of assigned staff. Must have knowledge of funding sources, grant writing, and fiscal operations. Must be able to establish and maintain effective working relationships with the general public, customers, community leaders, members of professional organizations, and government officials. Must be able to maintain strict confidentiality at all times. Must have the ability to work with diverse community groups.

Must have the ability to work flexible hours as needed, including evenings and/or weekends. Must have a dependable vehicle for use during work hours, valid Illinois Driver's License, and appropriate auto insurance. Requires an individual be physically able to meet the demands of the job including bending, squatting, lifting up to 25 pounds, and assisting with holding during immunizations. Must be physically able to get in and out of car many times per day in all types of weather and be able to adapt in a positive manner to various client living conditions.

Summary of Job Duties: Serves as the COVID-19 Project Director by monitoring the incidence of COVID-19, investigating cases/contacts, educating the public, and reporting to Illinois Department

of Public Health and the Director of CNS. With minimal direction, assumes the specific program or project coordinating responsibilities in the Clinical Nursing Services (CNS) Division. Supports the mission of the Macon County Health Department and provides leadership in planning, organizing, coordinating, and evaluating public health education. Serves as COVID-10 Project Director by monitoring the incidence of COVID-19, investigating cases/contacts, educating the public, and reporting to Illinois Department of Public Health and the Director of CNS. Directly oversees the work of contact tracers, contact investigators, data management/epidemiologist, infection control nurse(s) and others who may work as part of the COVID-19 team. Assigns work and oversees the quality of work. Ensures completion of case interviews and contact follow-up according to established standards. Reviews work for missing information, inconsistencies, or areas that need further exploration and directs staff follow-up to seek clarification and obtain additional information. Addresses complex issues with cases or contacts that have been escalated by staff. Uses qualitative (interview audits) and quantitative (review of statistical outputs) methods to review performance and determine areas for formal or informal professional development, training, coaching, and mentoring. When necessary, uses progressive discipline to address performance conduct issues. Recognizes staff for exceptional and outstanding performance. Serves on call 24 hours per day seven days per week in regard to COVID-19 issues and emergent situations. Ensures that calls are covered by the Director of CNS or Infectious Disease Coordinator when on any kind of leave. Plans educational conferences and communicates on a regular basis with local hospital emergency rooms and infectious disease coordinators. Serves as source of information and referral for all COVID-19 nursing questions. Prepares weekly schedules for contact tracing staff.

How to Apply:

Applications can be picked up at the Macon County Health Department Front Desk at 1221 E. Condit, Decatur, Illinois, or you can go to our website, www.maconcountyhealth.org to print a copy of the application. Completed applications should be submitted to Macon County Health Department Attention: HR at 1221 E. Condit, Decatur, Illinois, 62521 or emailed to hr@maconchd.org

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