

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH EDUCATOR II

NATURE OF WORK

This is mid-level environmental education work implementing and evaluating efficient and effective environmental health/quality education programs.

Work involves: developing community collaboration; assisting in developing sound risk communication strategies; implementing strategies to effect population level behavioral change; gathering, analyzing and interpreting data and writing reports; recruiting volunteers; participating in internal strategic planning; identifying resource needs and funding opportunities; writing grants and grant reports. Work also involves working as a member of the Environmental Education Team for the Environmental Public Health Division. Considerable independent judgment and personal initiative is expected within the framework of established policies. Work is performed under the general supervision of a Senior Environmental Health Educator or Environmental Health Supervisor, with work being reviewed through conferences, reports and results achieved.

EXAMPLES OF WORK PERFORMED

Implements strategies to achieve division and department goals and objectives for comprehensive environmental health/quality education programs.

Gathers, analyzes and interprets environmental health/quality data and develops reports for review.

Writes/develops news releases and health advisories, and print, visual, video and audio educational information and presentations.

Arranges demonstrations, displays, exhibits, tours, lectures, films, web-based training, satellite based training, and other environmental education events.

Assists in identifying resource needs and funding opportunities; develops grant applications and reports.

Recruits and coordinates volunteer efforts to conduct environmental education campaigns, cleanups, litter reduction activities, water quality testing, storm water stenciling, etc.

Conducts internal and external workshops and training seminars for stakeholders, including computer-based, web-based and satellite training.

Develops and maintains effective working relationships with public, civic, professional and volunteer agencies engaged in environmental health related activities; promotes and publicizes the department's activities and programs.

Assists in conducting community environmental health assessments, with emphasis on identifying impacts on racial/ethnic minorities and sensitive populations.

Facilitates stakeholder involvement and participates in community collaboration and development activities to promote environmental health/quality education.

Reviews current practices related to environmental health education, risk communication and marketing; makes recommendations for implementation.

Gathers information, assists in developing presentations for, and communications with elected and appointed officials.

Explains environmental health/quality regulations, ordinances, policies, and procedures based on guidance from supervisor and established policies.

Performs related work as required.

DESIRABLE KNOWLEDGE, ABILITIES AND SKILLS

Knowledge of the environmental health and quality issues in the local community and region.

Knowledge of environmental equity/justice and sensitive populations issues.

Knowledge of current practices related to environmental health education, risk reduction, disease prevention, pollution prevention, community marketing and outreach.

Knowledge of methods, practices and techniques involved in community environmental health/quality assessment.

Knowledge of grant writing procedures and program development.

Ability to implement effective population behavioral change programs.

Ability to make sound decisions within the framework of department policy.

Ability to present complex information in a non-technical way.

Ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with coworkers, peers in other agencies, stakeholders and public officials.

DESIRABLE TRAINING AND EXPERIENCE

Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with major course work in environmental education, public health, public health education, environmental health, environmental science, or related field, plus considerable experience in responsible environmental or community health education.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

Graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with major course work in environmental education, public health, public health education, environmental health, environmental science, or related field, plus experience in responsible environmental or community health education; or any combination of training and experience which provides the desirable knowledge, abilities and skills.

NECESSARY SPECIAL REQUIREMENT

Possession of a valid driver's license when operating a vehicle is necessary for the satisfactory performance of assigned duties.

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