

CITY OF BRIDGEPORT, CONNECTICUT

The Department of Health and Social Services is now accepting resumes for the contractual position of



PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE Family Health and Wellness Clinic

CONTRACT POSITION

Pursuant to this contracted position, the City anticipates an engagement with one individual. Compensation is set at \$42.00 an hour during Clinic operating hours. The contract would be generated by the Office of the City Attorney and take the City's desired form.

Hours: Full Time Monday-Friday 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m. Part Time 2-3 set days a week 8:30 a.m.- 4 p.m.

The Family Health and Wellness Clinic at the Bridgeport Health Department has a mission to identify, treat and prevent the spread of communicable disease within the City of Bridgeport. The Family Health and Wellness Clinic offers a variety of services including STD screening and testing, tuberculosis screenings, PPD readings and treatment, COVID- vaccinations and testing, flu vaccinations, monkeypox testing and more.

To Apply: Please email a cover letter, resume, the supplied application, degree, and license verification to Natashia.Haley@BridgeportCT.gov.

Accepting complete submissions until the contracted position is filled.

(Any/all changes to this opening shall be at the discretion of the City of Bridgeport)

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES:

This position will provide professional public health nursing care for the Bridgeport Health Department Communicable Disease Division. The role will entail various duties to include interviewing patients in the STD/TB clinics for the prevention of communicable diseases; following up on reportable diseases; administering college vaccines; performing blood draws; conducting foodborne investigations for epidemiological follow-up and other clinic duties as required, including but not limited to; maintaining records of public health nursing services rendered; and other tasks assigned.

ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The essential functions described below are the primary duties of the position. There may be other types of work that may be performed, and the omission of a particular function does not exclude them from the position, provided the function is similar in work, related to the work or logically assigned to the position.

- Conducts home visits in connection with the care and prevention of communicable diseases.
- Applies principles of epidemiology in disease investigations, community assessments and determining service needs of individuals, families, or communities.
- Ensure patient compliance with medically ordered therapies, attendance to scheduled medical appointments, and follow up care in the community.
- Administers medications, including immunizations, following physician's instructions.
- Instructs families in care of patient/client filing or searching of files; directs callers.

- Participates in community education and individual patient/client education in specialized programs, e.g., HIV, AIDS, Tuberculosis (TB), Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD), family planning, adolescent health, and related programs.
- Participates in the provision of public health and related medical services at neighborhood, mobile and out-reach clinics.
- Complete documentation and verbal report as required by the Communicable Disease Division, and state mandated surveillance reports, obtain needed information for reporting when necessary.
- Work with local pharmacies to ensure availability of medically ordered therapies to patients to maintain adherence to treatment.
- Identify opportunities for preventative treatment among case contacts, family members and household members of patients receiving services through the Communicable Disease Division and Connecticut DPH TB Control program to link these individuals to care.

MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS

As to educations, training, and experience:

- Nursing degree from a nationally accredited college or university.
- Completion of one-year course of study in public health nursing at an accredited school.
- Any equivalent combination of education and experience.

As to special knowledge, ability, and skill:

- Good knowledge of the principles and practices of general professional nursing care.
- Good knowledge of the principles and practices of public health.
- Ability to establish and maintain harmonious and effective working relationships with patients, other health workers, and the public.
- Ability to utilize computers, including a variety of software and statistics programs per Connecticut State Department of Health program protocols.
- Ability to provide direction and guidance to others independently and in collaboration with clinicians and coworkers.
- Ability to maintain clear documentation and reports, with the understanding these may be audited by nursing supervisor, treating physicians, the Bridgeport Health Department Medical Director, and State of Connecticut DPH program officials.
- Working knowledge of safety and infection control principles, practices, and method

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Valid Connecticut Driver's License This job requires daily driving.
- Possession of Connecticut certification as a registered nurse.

PHYSICAL DEMANDS AND WORK ENVIRONMENT

The physical demands and work environment characteristics described here are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations which do not cause undue hardship may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

• While performing the duties of this job, the employee is frequently required to walk, sit, and talk or hear. The employee is occasionally required to use hands to finger, handle, feel or operate objects, tools, or controls; and reach with hands and arms. The employee is occasionally required to climb or balance; stoop, kneel, crouch or crawl. The employee must frequently lift and/or move up to 50 pounds and occasionally lift weights up to 75 pounds. Specific vision abilities required by this job include close vision, distance vision, color vision, peripheral

- vision, depth perception and the ability to adjust focus.
- While performing the duties of this job, the employee occasionally works near and possible contact with medicinal preparations, bodily fluids, communicable diseases, and any other conditions common in a nursing environment.

"As these are contract positions that will be governed by a contract and not employment provisions, the City remains an equal opportunity employer and all submissions will be considered on an equal opportunity basis".

The City of Bridgeport is an Equal Opportunity Employer for All