

BOSTON PUBLIC HEALTH COMMISSION

JOB TITLE: Hazardous Materials Response Educator POSITION #: 50064268

PROGRAM: EMS/ DelValle Institute for Emergency Preparedness

GRADE: MM-8: \$1,035.77 – 1,474.36 weekly range, DOE

POSTING DATES: February 18 – 22, 2008

HOURS: 35 hours/week 9-5, evening or weekend work may be required. May be required to carry a pager

DUTIES:

Responsible for developing, implementing, and refining EMS Delvalle Institute programs to ensure compliance with city, state and federal laws, regulations and recommendations associated with training in response to hazardous materials and weapons of mass destruction incidents.

Participate in the training and education of Boston area response assets, including but not limited to: neighborhood health center personnel; EMS professionals - particularly those not reached through existing training programs; hospital staff - including emergency physicians, nurses, infectious disease specialists, environmental and facilities staff, and other appropriate staff; public safety professionals; public health professionals; pharmacy, and medical and nursing students.

Conduct occupational injury/illness reporting & investigation activities and tracking.

Conduct hazard communication, chemical safety, and other trainings for students and course participants at Delvalle.

Participate in response to large-scale emergencies or disasters, as deemed appropriate by BPHC Environmental Health staff and/or Boston EMS command staff. Perform assignments related to industrial hygiene programs/projects including technical research, policy development and other special assignments.

Advise hospitals'/facilities' safety and/or emergency response coordinators on selection of personal protective equipment, decontamination systems and techniques, air handling, and other identified needs.

Provide industrial hygiene support for programs and projects involving review, research and evaluation of technical issues related to compliance, asbestos, right to know, pesticide and laboratory programs. These activities may involve, to varying degrees, field staff coordination and investigation activities.

Core competencies include, among others, the ability to: describe the agency role and chain of command in emergency response; demonstrate her/his role in regular drills; and recognize deviations from the norm that might indicate an emergency and take/ facilitate appropriate action(s) such as communicating clearly within the chain of command. May supervise staff.

Performs other duties as required.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

BA/BS required in occupational safety and/or health, industrial hygiene, chemistry, physics, chemical, mechanical or sanitary engineering, environmental science, nursing, medicine, biology or related field. Master's in industrial hygiene, environmental health, or environmental engineering preferred.

Highly developed written and verbal communication skills are required, as is the ability to work collaboratively with others.

Highly developed conceptual and analytical skills required. Strong managerial and organizational skills required, with the ability to work collaboratively with others while under pressure.

1-2 years experience in design and delivery of hazardous materials training is required. Knowledge of emergency preparedness response systems in Metropolitan Boston and familiarity with Boston, its neighborhoods and customs is preferred.

This position requires direct client/patient contact and as a result of such direct contact, certain immunizations will be recommended and/or required prior to commencement of employment duties.

A Criminal Offenders Records Information request must be completed for this position. However, a record is not an automatic bar to employment but is reviewed in relation to the job applied for.

Boston residency required or willingness to relocate.