

NOTICE

There is a job vacancy in the **BAY COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT-STD/HIV/COMMUNICABLE DISEASE.**

JOB TITLE: PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE – BSN

RATE OF PAY: BSN: \$19.37/hour - \$23.77/hour
RN: \$18.75/hour - \$23.13/hour

Full-time position, 40 per week with benefits as provided for within the Public Health Registered Nurses Organization labor agreement, however membership is voluntary.

GENERAL SUMMARY: Provides selected public health nursing services necessary to implement the agency program in an assigned area. Job responsibilities and activities are specifically targeted at adult populations to provide education, and investigation of communicable (CD) and sexually transmitted infections (STI) and provide direct nursing care and referral for clients in the Health Screening Clinic. Actively participates in Community and Health Department programs, Supervision received: Works under the Public Health Nursing Manager.

TYPICAL DUTIES:

1. Investigates all communicable diseases reported to the Bay County Health Department and is responsible for contacting individuals involved with the communicable disease and the input of communicable disease data into the Michigan Disease Surveillance System (MDSS).
2. Provides consultant to families/schools/other social/health agencies with reference to Communicable Diseases, STDs, HIV/AIDS, immunizations.
3. Through email alerts from Michigan Department of Health & Human Services keeps updated on communicable diseases affecting our county and state and alerts management with trends.
4. During times of Foodborne illness (FBI) outbreak will work closely with the Environmental Health Department in FBI investigation.
5. Provides STD/Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) health services to clients, in accordance with Health screening program policies and procedures. Duties include but not limited to:
 - a. Assessment of client needs and planning appropriate care; HIV pre/post counseling/testing and risk reduction planning; documentation and client/partner notification of positive results; counseling/testing/treatment of STD; making referrals; participates and maintains Quality Assurance; maintains strict confidentiality in accordance with applicable laws.
 - b. Achieves continuity of client care by planning and exchanging information with the physician, hospital, and other appropriate health/social agencies.
6. Coordinates the Health Department's Tuberculosis (TB) Testing and Control Program:
 - a. Works with clients to manage/treat TB infection and/or disease; dispenses prescribed TB medications per standing orders; maintains accurate inventory via the TB Medication Log; records on clients' medical records.
 - b. Receives laboratory reports for Liver Enzyme Tests (ALT and/or AST) and records on clients' medical records, per standing orders; consults with agency Medical Director, as necessary.
 - c. Maintains accurate, up-to-date files on all active and latent TB clients; providing reminder phone calls and/or letters to ensure compliance with prescription medication regimen.
7. Assessment of client immunization needs and planning /referral for appropriate care. May provide immunization services to clients in accordance with applicable Immunization Program policies and procedures
8. Participates in community and Health Department in-services, projects, and health fairs on Communicable Diseases, STDs, HIV, and immunizations.
9. In times of a public health emergency, may be required to report for specialized assigned duties inside or outside of Bay County. Perform emergency response roles, as required.
10. All other duties as assigned.

The above statements are intended to describe the general nature and level of work being performed by people assigned this classification. They are not to be construed as an exhaustive list of all job duties performed by personnel so classified.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Licensure: Possession of a current license to practice professional nursing in Michigan

Education: A.D.N., B.S.N. or diploma from a school of nursing approved by the N.L.N. of Nursing

Experience: Demonstrated competency in practice of professional nursing. Two years of satisfactory public health nursing experience under qualified supervision. Must have a valid vehicle operator's license and an acceptable driving record; Computer skills required; Applicants may be required to take written and/or other examinations.

Physical: This position requires sitting, being mobile, bending and/or standing for significant periods of time. Additional requirements include the ability to move objects according to the following weight and frequency: Generally, 20-50 pounds of force up to one third of the time. Candidate must possess physical dexterity to perform tests and medical procedures related to job. Candidate must have adequate visual acuity and hearing comprehension to read reports and communicate with clients and other providers and have adequate physical dexterity to climb stairs, balance and navigate under unstable environmental conditions.

Application Procedure: Make application online at www.baycounty-mi.gov or at the Bay County Personnel Department, 515 Center Avenue, Suite 301, Bay City, Michigan 48708-5121, in writing, no later than **4:00 p.m. Tuesday, March 29, 2016.**

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