PUBLIC HEALTH PHYSICIAN III

NATURE OF WORK

This is professional medical work of an advanced administrative or consultative nature in a county, district, or state public health program.

Employees, serving as local health directors, plan, organize, and direct a varied program of public health services in a moderate sized county or district health department; or plan and direct specific public health programs within a division of the State Board of Health, coordinate the work of lower level physicians and public health nurses responsible for conducting programs in chronic and communicable diseases, maternal health, public health nursing and other related areas, and consult with private physicians, local health departments, and state and federal agencies. Work is performed under the administrative supervision of a division director or local board and is evaluated to determine the effectiveness of administrative, medical and consultative services provided.

ILLUSTRATIVE EXAMPLES OF WORK

Develops and directs special projects and studies relating to tuberculosis, communicable diseases, chronic diseases, and phases of the epidemiological field.

Assists the division director in preparing and reviewing budgets relating to the expenditure of federal, state, local, and private funds necessary to implement public health programs; assists in preparing reports, charts, and tables required to interpret the responsibilities of the division to state, federal, and private agencies.

Meets with local board of health, county commissioners, and other groups to promote the consolidation and expansion of health services in counties where public health services are not adequate.

Renders medical consultation and serves in an advisory capacity to the personnel of the local health units.

Prepares and delivers talks on various phases of public health administration to civic clubs, and other organization at public health medical meetings.

Organizes and directs clinic and vaccinations against communicable diseases, such as venereal disease, tuberculosis, etc.

Conducts physical examinations of clinic patients and participates in the enforcement of quarantine and vaccination regulations.

Make epidemiological investigations and delivers talks on public health before interested groups.

Cooperates with other public and private organizations in the promotion of public health and confers with other members of his staff on professional and administrative matters.

Performs related work as required.

KNOWLEDGES, SKILLS, AND ABILITIES

Thorough knowledge of the theory, principles, and practices of general and preventive medicine, as related to public health administration.

Thorough knowledge of recent developments in the field of public health and ability to apply improved techniques and procedure in the specialties to which assigned.

Considerable knowledge of public health laws, regulations, and policies, and ability to interpret them to others.

Ability to establish and maintain effective working relationships with professional and lay groups.

MINIMUM EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS

Licensed to practice medicine in the State of North Carolina.

SPECIAL NOTE

This is a generalized representation of positions in this class and is not intended to identify essential functions per ADA. Examples of work are primarily essential functions of the majority of positions in this class, but may not be applicable to all positions.