

## **PUBLIC HEALTH SANITARIAN**

**Job Code:** 3604  
**Department:** Tioga County Public Health Department (Environmental Health)  
**Classification:** Competitive  
**Salary Grade:** CSEA - Grade IX  
**Adopted:** Revised 8/20/08 NYS DOH; Tioga Co. Personnel & Civil Service

**DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:** The work involves responsibility for applying the principles of the physical, biological and social sciences for the detection, evaluation, control and management of those factors in the environment which influence the public health. The incumbent performs under general supervision, professional activities which may include the investigation and inspection of the non-engineering aspects of environmental health control. Supervision is not a function of this position. Does related work as required.

**TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:** (Illustrative Only)

- Inspects food service establishments, schools, fairs and carnivals, dairy farms, private water supplies, private sewage disposal systems, bathing beaches and swimming pools; facilities for refuse disposal, and temporary and/or permanent residences;
- Enforces the New York State sanitary code;
- Collects water, milk, food and other samples for laboratory examination;
- Prepares reports on inspections and investigations;
- Interprets laboratory reports;
- Issues and collects fees for health permits;
- May testify at enforcement proceedings.

**FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES & PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:** Good knowledge of environmental health practices; good knowledge of the New York State Sanitary Code and other laws pertaining to the inspection of water supply and sewage disposal systems; ability to prepare and deliver effective talks and secure the interest and cooperation of civic groups and officials; ability to train others in environmental health work; ability to develop good public relations; good professional judgment; physical condition commensurate with the demands of the position.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS (Either):**

- a. Graduation from a regionally accredited or New York State registered college or university with a Bachelor's degree including thirty (30) credits hours in the natural sciences, of which not more than twelve (12) credit hours may be in the applied sciences; **or**
- b. Five (5) years full-time paid experience or its part-time equivalent as a Public Health Technician deemed satisfactory by the local Commissioner of Health or Public Health Director and have satisfactorily completed a public health training course approved by the New York State Health Department.

\* **SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:** Candidates who qualify under (a) must satisfactorily complete a public health training course approved by the State Health Department within two (2) years of appointment.