

Job Information

Job Title: Public Health Physician -Health Status Assessment and Surveillance
Public Health Physician -Health Protection

Job Requisition ID: 23031
Ministry: Health
Location: Edmonton
Full or Part-Time: Full Time
Hours of Work: 36.25
Regular/Temporary: Temporary Contract (3 years)
Scope: Open Competition
Closing Date: Open until suitable candidates selected

About Us

The Ministry of Health supports Albertans by protecting public health and promoting wellness; coordinating and delivering safe, person-centred, quality health services; leading a coordinated response to chronic disease prevention, communicable disease outbreaks, vaccine preventable diseases, and public health emergencies and concerns; planning capital infrastructure; supporting innovative information management and technologies; promoting health and wellness; enabling health care professionals to work to their full scope of practice; and funding the health system.

The Department of Health (Alberta Health) establishes the Government of Alberta's strategic direction for health and works with its partners on the promotion of health and wellness to encourage Albertans to stay healthy. Alberta Health also collaborates with stakeholders on fiscally sustainable compensation models for health providers, which support quality of care and collaborative practice, whether health care and advice is delivered virtually or in person.

For further information, visit the ministry website at <https://www.alberta.ca/health.aspx>
For further information about Office of the Chief Medical Officer of Health (OCMOH) please visit the website at <https://www.alberta.ca/office-of-the-chief-medical-officer-of-health.aspx>

There are currently two (2) Public Health Physician opportunities available. One as the Public Health Physician – Health Status Assessment and Surveillance and the other as Public Health Physician – Health Protection. These two staff will join the existing eleven-person OCMOH team that includes the CMOH and two other Public Health Physicians (PHPs).

Role(s)

Within the Ministry, the Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH) has legislated responsibilities to monitor and report on the health of Albertans, to be engaged in the development of healthy public policy, and in the administration of the Public Health Act. Reporting to the Chief Medical Officer of Health (CMOH), each of the **Public Health Physician –Health Status Assessment and Surveillance (PHP-HSAS)** and **Public Health Physician –Health Protection (PHP-HP)** assist the CMOH in carrying out their functions in this regard. The Public Health Physicians will be required to act on behalf of the CMOH from time to time.

Both roles involve working with multiple stakeholders both internal and external to government such as other divisions within Alberta Health and other ministries within the Government of

Alberta, Alberta Health Services, and Indigenous Services Canada, First Nations and Inuit Health Branch. These roles are key in advising on the need for legislation, policies, standards and practices affecting the population's health by providing public health leadership, medical expertise, clinical knowledge, and skill in evaluation to the department and other agencies.

The **PHP-HSAS** will work collaboratively, providing leadership and guidance in selecting and monitoring public health indicators to inform and evaluate public health programs and services, aligned with public health legislation and regulations that serve the best interest of Albertans. You will provide high-quality medical expertise and strategic advice in population health assessment, surveillance, public health information systems, health risk assessment and other public health areas.

To be successful in this role you possess significant expertise in epidemiology, ability to provide sound advice on health information, population health assessment and reporting and surveillance methodologies. Your broad knowledge of principles and practices of public health include a deep understanding of general population health intervention strategies, of disease and injury prevention, communicable disease control, environmental public health, healthy public policy, mental health promotion, emergency response and health impact assessment as well as an understanding of approaches to issues involving specific populations such as First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples in Alberta.

The **PHP-HP** will work collaboratively, providing leadership, guidance, and high-quality medical expertise related to public health and environmental protection legislation, regulations, policy development and strategies for various health and disease prevention programs in areas of environmental public health, land use and resource development, infection prevention and control, screening programs, public health emergency response, health status assessments, health risk assessments and other public health areas.

To be successful in this role you possess significant expertise in the areas of environmental public health, infection prevention and control, pandemic preparedness, and emergency/disaster management. Your broad knowledge of principles and practices of public health include a deep understanding of general population health intervention strategies, of disease and injury prevention, communicable disease control, environmental public health, healthy public policy, mental health promotion, emergency response and health impact assessment as well as an understanding of approaches to issues involving specific populations such as First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples in Alberta.

Qualifications for both Positions:

As an accomplished, influential and highly credible individual within medicine, your career will include at least 10 years of public health experience, with demonstrated skills in leadership, building teams, and developing and maintaining stakeholder relationships with governmental and public audiences. The PHPs will have the ability to act on behalf of the CMOH from time to time. A medical degree and certification in community medicine with the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or equivalent in public health and a license to practice or eligibility for a license to practice as a specialist in Community Medicine/Public Health and Preventive Medicine is required. Experience in the Alberta health system and government, or both is preferred. Media engagement experience is considered an asset.

Salary

Compensation is under review and will be commensurate with qualifications and experience.

Notes

Final candidates will be required to undergo a security screening.

Links and information on what the GoA has to offer:

- Working for the Alberta Public Service – <https://www.alberta.ca/advantages-working-for-alberta-public-service.aspx>
- Benefits - <https://www.alberta.ca/advantages-working-for-alberta-public-service.aspx#jumplinks-5>
- Leadership and mentorship programs
- Professional learning and development

Please see the attached position profile for more information on position responsibilities. [Search Profile](#)

How to Apply

Click on the “Apply Now” button.

Candidates are required to apply for a job online. Please visit <https://www.alberta.ca/navigating-online-jobs-application.aspx> to learn more about [creating a candidate profile](#) and other tips for the Government of Alberta’s online application system.

If you are not currently an employee with the Government of Alberta, the first step in applying for a job is creating your candidate profile within our online application system, [click here](#) to access the main log in page where you are able to ‘Create an account’, reset your password (‘Forgot your password’) or ‘Sign In’ should you already have an account.

Existing employees should access the Career tile in 1GX to submit their application in order to be recognized as an internal applicant.

Once you have created your candidate profile, visit the Alberta Public Service job site to apply for jobs at <https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-public-service-jobs.aspx>

Applicants are advised to provide information that clearly and concisely demonstrates how their qualifications meet the advertised requirements, including education, experience and relevant examples of required competencies.

Resources for applicants:

<https://www.alberta.ca/apply-for-jobs-with-the-alberta-public-service.aspx>

<https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-public-service-hiring-process.aspx>

<https://alis.alberta.ca/look-for-work/>

It is recommended that applicants who have obtained educational credentials from outside of Canada and have not had them previously assessed, obtain an evaluation of their credentials from the International Qualifications Assessment Service (IQAS) <https://www.alberta.ca/iqas->

[overview.aspx](#). Applicants are encouraged to include the assessment certificate from IQAS or any other educational assessment service as part of their application.

Closing Statement

The Government of Alberta has implemented a proof of COVID 19 vaccination policy for all Alberta Public Service employees, to improve the health and safety of Alberta Public Service employees and Albertans we serve. This policy would require you to:

- Provide proof of COVID 19 vaccination;
- If you are the successful candidate and have not provided proof of COVID 19 vaccination, you may; select to produce a negative PCR (molecular polymerase chain reaction) or rapid test result date-stamped within 72 hours of every scheduled work day/shift, on an ongoing basis. These tests will be paid for by the employee;
- Candidates and employees who are unable to get vaccinated based on a protected ground under the Alberta Human Rights Act may request approval for an exemption and accommodation.

At the time of offer successful candidates are required to show proof of vaccination with QR code or indicate you will be participating in the PCR or rapid testing.

This competition may be used to fill future vacancies, across the Government of Alberta, at the same or lower classification level.

We thank all applicants for their interest. All applications will be reviewed to determine which candidates' qualifications most closely match the advertised requirements. Only individuals selected for interviews will be contacted.

If you require any further information on this job posting or a copy of the role profile, and/or require a disability related accommodation during the recruitment process, please contact Executive Search at psc.executivesearchservices@gov.ab.ca.

If this competition is closed as per the closing date noted above, please continue to check <http://www.jobs.alberta.ca> for a listing of current career opportunities with the Government of Alberta.