Public Health Medical Officer III – Occupational Health Branch, California Department of Public Health

We are looking for a dynamic, experienced occupational medicine physician for a key position in the Occupational Health Branch (OHB) of the California Department of Public Health (CDPH). OHB is a nationally recognized (“NIOSH-like”) state occupational public health program. This full-time, permanent position is located in Richmond, California (SF Bay Area). This is a great opportunity to work with a talented, dedicated team with expertise in occupational medicine, epidemiology, industrial hygiene, toxicology, environmental and occupational emergency preparedness, and health education.

**Duties:** Serve in a leadership role in two major areas: 1) occupational injury and illness surveillance and prevention; and 2) planning and preparedness for hazardous material emergencies and other disasters that may affect the health of communities, workers, first responders, and vulnerable populations. Conceive, plan, and organize occupational health surveillance programs; epidemiologic research studies; field investigations; and intervention, education, and outreach activities. Lead a cross-Division multidisciplinary team focused on emergency preparedness statewide; conduct hazardous materials release surveillance; use disaster epidemiology tools following major chemical incidents or natural disasters; and oversee the provision of technical assistance in emergency situations. Work with local public health and environmental health departments, Cal/OSHA, trade associations, first responder groups, unions, worker and community advocacy organizations, academic researchers, and health professionals. Provide expert technical consultation and recommend actions and policies that protect the health of workers and communities.

**Desired qualifications:** Board certification in occupational/environmental medicine and some prior experience in a public health and/or emergency preparedness setting preferred; solid medical, scientific, and technical skills; strong leadership and project management skills; knowledge of key OSHA and other regulatory requirements; familiarity with public health surveillance, health education, and research approaches; familiarity with emergency and/or hazmat response systems; ability to work effectively with diverse program stakeholders and a multidisciplinary staff; excellent written and verbal communication skills.

The California Department of Public Health, Occupational Health Branch, will open a recruitment for the above position within the next several months. This announcement to the medical/public health/emergency management community encourages potentially interested candidates to get on a civil service hiring list for this classification and become eligible to apply for the vacancy.

The first step to working at CDPH is to get on a State civil service list for Public Health Medical Officer (PHMO) III. Once you’re on a list, you will get notified about vacancies and can apply for any job that interests you. If you’re not on a civil service list, CDPH cannot hire you or even interview you for a job.

**AUGUST 19, 2016 IS THE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF YOUR APPLICATION AT CDPH IN SACRAMENTO.** For complete information about the application process, please visit: [http://www.cdph.ca.gov/services/jobs/Documents/ContinueOpen/Public%20Health%20Medical%20Officer%20III%202-1-16.pdf](http://www.cdph.ca.gov/services/jobs/Documents/ContinueOpen/Public%20Health%20Medical%20Officer%20III%202-1-16.pdf)

Contact hiring manager Barbara Materna, PhD, CIH, Chief of the CDPH Occupational Health Branch, to let her know you are interested in this position or for any questions about the job, process, or timeline (510-620-5730 or barbara.materna@cdph.ca.gov). Also please contact Dr. Materna if you might be interested in a 50% time position involving either of the two major areas cited above.