

SOUTHWEST PENNSYLVANIA ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PROJECT

Job Title: Public Health Practitioner/Nurse

Location: Office located in McMurray, PA, plus home visits in and around Washington County, PA.

Full time: 40 hours per week

Job Summary:

The Southwest Pennsylvania Environmental Health Project (EHP) Public Health Practitioner/Nurse is a senior position that will center on designing and implementing public health activities relevant to health and safety near shale gas development. EHP's model for understanding and addressing the public health consequences of unconventional gas development (UGD, aka fracking) is akin to a public health outbreak investigation. The role of the Public Health Practitioner/Nurse is central to our operation and involves supporting communities' and health care providers' understanding of health risks related to shale gas development exposures, by leading EHP's multi-disciplinary Health and Wellness Team and working with the larger EHP team to conduct public health outreach and education. The Public Health Practitioner/Nurse is also expected to provide key input into the continued development and refinement of the Project. EHP's team comes from many different professional backgrounds and is focused on assessing public health issues in the Appalachian region and beyond. Together, we explore options for addressing the needs of residents who are concerned that their health may have been affected by nearby UGD. The position allows for creativity and an interest in looking at circumstances from multiple perspectives.

Responsibilities:

- Lead EHP's Health and Wellness Team;
- Participate in projects to educate local, regional, and national healthcare professionals and community members about potential health effects related to shale gas development, including professional presentations and publications in collaboration with other EHP team members;
- Develop and maintain appropriate community, healthcare and academic relationships;
- Provide clinical guidance regarding environmental health concerns;
- As needed, conduct standardized assessments of adults and children either in the office or their home setting;
- Work with EHP's Case Manager to ensure appropriate follow-up with clients to monitor progression/resolution of symptoms identified on the assessment and contact healthcare providers if necessary;
- Work closely with EHP's Environmental Health Educator to conduct community-based health assessments paired with air and water quality monitoring;
- Collaborate with team members to explore and analyze EHP health assessment and emissions monitoring data; and
- Participate with EHP team to understand and apply evolving research on shale emissions and health.

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Basic Qualifications:

RN/MPH or RN with equivalent experience; environmental public health and clinical experience. Community outreach experience is a plus. Seeking a healthcare provider with a passion for engaging in public health practice and providing tangible community assistance.

Salary and Benefits: Negotiable based on qualifications; generous vacation policy

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Review of applications will begin November 1, 2018. Position will be open until filled.