



**Public Health**  
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

**Butler County**  
General Health District

<b>Job Title:</b>	Public Health Nurse I or II
<b>Responsible to:</b>	Nursing Director
<b>Public Health Core Competency Level:</b>	Level 2
<b>Positions Supervised:</b>	None
<b>Salary:</b>	\$22/hr-\$25/hr
<b>Work Hours:</b>	Full Time (35 hours), usual hours 8-4, M-F, Occasional evenings/weekends
<b>Grant-Funded:</b>	No

**Essential Functions:** Public health nursing is a specialty practice within nursing and public health. It focuses on improving population health by emphasizing prevention and the social determinants. It includes advocacy, policy development, and health planning, and addresses issues of social justice and health equity. (American Public Health Association, 2013)

**Minimum Qualifications:**

- BSN or higher (or commensurate years of experience) and an active Ohio Registered Nurse license
- Minimum 3+ years' experience in a hospital setting and/or public health
- Proven proficiency with computers including Microsoft Office (Word, Excel) is required
- Excellent writing, communication, interpersonal, and public relations skills
- Ability to work with a diverse team in a multi-disciplinary setting
- Ability to establish effective working relationships with persons of varied backgrounds both lay and professional
- Ability to manage multiple tasks simultaneously
- Ability to maintain confidentiality
- Self-motivated to plan, organize, complete work accurately with little direction
- Ability to prepare concise and accurate reports
- Ability to present effective facts and make recommendations both orally and in writing
- Any equivalent combination of education and experience determined to be acceptable

**Preferred Qualifications:**

- Work or educational experience in public health or pediatrics preferred

- Work experience or knowledge of Children with Medical Handicaps Program, tuberculosis, vaccinations and Vaccinations for Children Program, communicable diseases, chronic disease prevention, and/or public health preparedness a plus
- Wound care experience
- Experience with Project Management desired

**Position Specific Responsibilities:**

- Performs professional public health nursing services focusing on prevention including: tuberculosis control, other communicable disease investigation, vaccination clinics, emerging public health issues, and other duties as assigned
- Conduct home visits and assessments, assist with enrollment, and help manage the Children with Medical Handicaps Program
- Coordinates care and collaborates with community partners to ensure optimal health
- Utilizes data on community health needs to provide health education, promote optimal health and prevent disease
- Investigates communicable diseases in diverse settings and makes recommendations for control
- Presents health education programs in schools and/or community organizations as needed
- Instructs in prevention and care of a wide variety of health problems, interviews clients to obtain health histories and problems, obtains laboratory samples, assists in client testing, assesses clients for appropriate vaccinations, administers injections
- Seeks out and attends training sessions and/or continuing education classes as needed
- Performs a variety of nursing activities as assigned to assist in the efficient running of the nursing department

**Required Knowledge, Skills and Abilities**

- Ability to coordinate numerous demands simultaneously to successful completion
- Proficiency with computers including Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, Powerpoint)
- Excellent writing, communication, interpersonal, and public relations skills
- Ability to work with a diverse team in a multi-disciplinary setting
- Ability to establish effective working relationships with persons of varied backgrounds
- Ability to maintain confidentiality
- Ability to be self-motivated to plan, organize and complete work accurately and on time with little direct supervision
- Exceptional attention to detail
- Conducts self with honesty and integrity; follows ethical principles of public health practice, follows the rules and laws applicable to public health nursing
- Ability to perform under pressure

**Primary Duties include (general summary and not all inclusive):**

- Ensures agency mission, vision and programmatic success
- Functions as a technical expert for the Nursing Director

- Responsible to the Nursing Director for following rules, policies and guidelines necessary for the efficient operation of health programs and services as needed
- Works in accordance with all established policies, procedures, applicable statutes and regulations of the Ohio Revised and Administrative Codes, as well as Ohio Department of Health, Ohio Department of Agriculture, and others as required
- Educates and informs the community about health related topics as needed
- Participates in Public Health Accreditation activities as needed and required
- Embraces and proposes Quality Improvement activities as needed
- Participates in required trainings (in person, webinars, online, etc.), often involving local and state travel
- Ensures that all grant deliverables are completed successfully and on time
- Follows and adheres to cost methodology or budgeting as appropriate

**Other:**

- Serves a probationary period of 120 days
- Must be able to respond to public health emergencies or exercises 24/7, except while on scheduled vacation or other leave
- May be required to play an active leadership role in the event of a public health emergency, which may include changes in responsibilities and working hours
- Evening and weekend work may be required during public health events, investigations or emergencies
- Other duties as assigned
- Position may be subject to background check
- Valid OHIO Driver's license in good standing, and insurable by the Board of Health's Policy
- Complete required FEMA classes within 6 months of hire
- **Public Health Core Competencies Level Two position (See Attachment A)**

Is this position EXEMPT or NON-EXEMPT from compensatory time?	NON-EXEMPT
Is this an EXECUTIVE, PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP position?	NO
Does this position require advanced TECHNICAL skills?	YES
Is this position FULL TIME or PART TIME?	FULL
Is this a 100% GRANT FUNDED position?	NO

Please send resume with cover letter explaining your interest in this position or special qualifications to: [BOH@butlercountyohio.org](mailto:BOH@butlercountyohio.org). Position is posted on our website: [www.butlercountyohio.org/health](http://www.butlercountyohio.org/health) Position will remain open until filled.

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## **Appendix A.**

### **Public Health Core Competencies, Level Two Position**

#### **Requires the following:**

##### Analytical/Assessment Skills

1. Applies ethical principles concerning data and information
2. Uses information technology concerning data and information
3. Makes evidence-based decisions (e.g., determines research agendas, using recommendations from The Guide to Community Preventive Services, HP 2020 and other sources in planning population health services)
4. Advocates for the use of evidence in decision making that affects the health of a community (e.g., helps policy makers understand community health needs, demonstrates the impact of programs)

##### Policy Development/Program Planning Skills

1. Develops program goals and objectives
2. Monitors current and projected trends representing the health of a community (e.g., health, fiscal, social, political, environmental)
3. Examines the feasibility and implications of policies, programs, and services (e.g., fiscal, social, political, legal, geographic)
4. Recommends policies, programs, and services for implementation

##### Communication Skills

1. Communicates in writing and orally using proper grammar and punctuation taking health literacy level of the intended reader into consideration.
2. Conveys data and information to professionals and the public using a variety of approaches (e.g., websites, social media, written reports, presentations, email, letters, fliers, etc.)
3. Facilitates communication among individuals, groups, and agencies
4. Communicates information to influence behavior and improve health (e.g., use social marketing methods, consider behavioral theories such as the Health Belief Model or Stages of Change Model)
5. Solicits input from individuals and organizations for improving the health of a community (e.g., chambers of commerce, religious organizations, schools, social service organizations, hospitals, government, community-based organizations, various populations served)

##### Cultural Competency Skills

1. Describes the ways diversity influences policies, programs, services, and the health of a community
2. Describes the diversity of individuals and populations in the entire community
3. Supports diverse perspectives in developing, implementing, and evaluating policies, programs, and services that affect the health of a community
4. Ensures the diversity of individuals and populations is addressed in policies, programs, and services that affect the health of a community
5. Assesses the effects of policies, programs, and services on different populations in a community (e.g., customer satisfaction surveys, use of services by the target population)

### Community Practice Skills

1. Suggests and establish relationships that may be needed to improve health in a community (e.g., partnerships with organizations serving the same population, academic institutions, policy makers, customers/clients, and others)
2. Facilitates collaborations among partners to improve health in a community (e.g., coalition building)
3. Engages community members to improve health in a community (e.g., input in developing and implementing community health assessments and improvement plans, feedback about programs and services)
4. Uses community input for developing, implementing, evaluating, and improving policies, programs, and services

### Public Health Sciences Skills

1. Applies public health in the delivery of the 10 Essential Public Health Services sciences (e.g., biostatistics, epidemiology, environmental health sciences, health services administration, social and behavioral sciences, and public health informatics)
2. Applies public health sciences in the administration and management of programs
3. Retrieves and use evidence from print and electronic sources to support decision making, in developing, implementing, evaluating, and improving policies, programs, and services (e.g., PubMed, Journal of Public Health Management and Practice, Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, The World Health Report)

### Financial Planning and Management Skills

1. Manages programs within current and projected budgets and staffing levels (e.g., sustaining a program when funding and staff are cut, recruiting and retaining staff)
2. Establishes teams for the purpose of achieving program and organizational goals (e.g., considering the value of different disciplines, sectors, skills, experiences, and perspectives; determining scope of work and timeline)
3. Motivates personnel for the purpose of achieving program and organizational goals (e.g., participating in teams, encouraging sharing of ideas, respecting different points of view)
4. Uses evaluation results to improve program and organizational performance

### Leadership and Systems Thinking Skills

1. Explains and participates in ways public health, health care, and other organizations can work together or individually to impact the health of a community
2. Provides opportunities for professional development for individuals and teams, and participate in all professional development offered for yourself (e.g., training, mentoring, peer advising, coaching)
3. Contributes to continuous improvement of individual, program, and organizational performance (e.g., mentoring, monitoring progress, adjusting programs to achieve better results)
4. Maintains the highest ethical standards of practice in all interactions with co-workers, community individuals, organizations, and agencies