

# CAREER OPPORTUNITY



## STATE HEALTH EPIDEMIOLOGIST FOR MISSOURI Annual Salary Range: \$100,000 to \$125,000

**General Description:** The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services is recruiting a state epidemiologist to serve as the highest scientific authority on issues related to the control and prevention of diseases and health risk behavior in the State of Missouri. This position will provide administrative oversight for medical and public health epidemiology, major public health surveillance systems, vital records and statistics, health information and for major federal block grants necessary to execute statewide epidemiologic initiatives including the application of epidemiology to the prevention and control of diseases and other conditions impacting the health status of Missourians. This position will serve as science advisor to the leadership of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), local public health agencies, the Governor and other elected officials, and the federal government as well as secure funding sources for departmental epidemiological functions and initiatives.

**Location:** This position will be based in the home campus of the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services located in Jefferson City, Missouri (state capital). Newcomers to Jefferson City and the central Missouri area are pleased to find a low cost of living combined with the best of town and country living near four major universities.

**Qualifications:** Minimum of five years of experience as a senior level public health epidemiologist. A doctoral level degree from an accredited university with emphasis in epidemiology is required. Preference will be given to candidates with a medical degree. Additional training in public health and/or preventive medicine is also preferred.

**Hiring Status:** This is an appointed position and serves at the discretion of the Director of the Department of Health and Senior Services and Director of the Division of Community and Public Health. This is an accelerated search with the successful candidate being identified before January 1, 2008.

**Interested Candidates:** Individuals interested in this position should send resume, cover letter and transcripts\* to Nick Boshard, Ph.D., M.P.H., at [Nick.Boshard@dhss.mo.gov](mailto:Nick.Boshard@dhss.mo.gov). Telephone inquiries may be made to (573) 751-6469. The Department of Health and Senior Services is unable to sponsor candidates or employees in their application for work visa thru INS.

\*Transcripts do not have to be officially sent from an academic institution. A student copy is acceptable.

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