# Job description

Agency	Department of He	alth		Work unit	Environmental Health
Job title	Environmental Health Officer			Designation	Professional 2
Job type	Full time			Duration	Ongoing
Salary	\$86,204 - \$103,377			Location	Alice Springs
Position number	3546	RTF	253300	Closing	18/01/2023
Contact Officer	Fiona Smith on 08 8955 6122 or fionam.smith@nt.gov.au				
About the agency	http://www.health.nt.gov.au/				
Apply online	https://jobs.nt.gov.au/Home/JobDetails?rtfld=253300				

Applications must be limited to a one-page summary sheet and detailed resume

## Information for applicants - inclusion and diversity and Special Measures recruitment plans

The NTPS values diversity. The NTPS encourages people from all diversity groups to apply for vacancies and accommodates people with disability by making reasonable workplace adjustments. If you require an adjustment for the recruitment process or job, please discuss this with the contact officer. For more information about applying for this position and the merit process, go to the <a href="OCPE website">OCPE website</a>.

Under the agency's Special Measures recruitment plan eligible Aboriginal applicants will be granted priority consideration for this vacancy. For more information on Special Measures plans, go to the <u>OCPE website</u>.

# Primary objective

Plan, develop and undertake environmental health promotion and enforcement activities to protect the public from physical, chemical and biological agents in the environment, which may impact on human health.

### Key duties and responsibilities

- 1. Provide environmental health services in a professional manner consistent with legislative requirements, good practice and departmental policy.
- 2. Act as an authorised officer and delegate of the Chief Health Officer (CHO) in administering the provisions of NT public and environmental health, and food legislation, including statutory surveillance; enforcement activities; special investigations; insect vector management; public health and food complaint resolution; participating in emergency/disaster relief operations as required; including COVID-19 activities and other duties as required by the Manager.
- 3. Engage with urban and remote communities, to assist in improving environmental health outcomes and participate in the development and implementation of projects and health promotion activities.
- 4. Monitor, record and report on all environmental health activities in accordance with Departmental policy and procedure.
- 5. Travel to remote sites by air/road, and work outside normal hours on weekends and public holidays as required.
- 6. Follow defined service quality standards, work health and safety policies to ensure high quality, safe services and workplaces

# Selection criteria

#### Essential

- 1. Degree in Environmental Health or science degree with appropriate post graduate qualification in Environmental Health from an Australian tertiary institution, eligible for recognition as an Environmental Health Officer.
- 2. Knowledge of legislation, policies and practices relevant to the provision of effective environmental health services in urban and remote environments and experience as an Environmental Health Officer to effectively implement program activities, operate independently in the field, and provide quality input to program objectives, policies and procedures.
- 3. Good interpersonal, written and oral communication skills, including the ability to negotiate and liaise at all levels and from a range of social and diverse cultural backgrounds, an ability to analyse and address complex issues, think strategically and express ideas and concepts in a clear and concise manner.
- 4. Current Northern Territory (NT) manual driver's licence or the ability to obtain

## **Desirable**

- 1. Additional qualifications e.g. health promotion, vector management, disaster management, food safety auditing.
- 2. Experience in Aboriginal community environmental health, waste management, land use development or other.

#### **Further information**

Department of Health has a Smoke Free Policy. Staff are not permitted to smoke anywhere on Departmental premises, facilities or vehicles, nor whilst working off-site. Positions may be subject to pre-employment checks such as immunisation requirements, working with children clearance notice and criminal history checks. A criminal history will not exclude an applicant from this position unless it is a relevant criminal history.

More information on pre-employment checks specific to this role can be sourced through the vacancy contact.

Approved: September 2020

David Reeve, General Manager Central Australia Health Service

