# **Environmental Health Officer**

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#### **Role Details**

| Role Title          | Environmental Health Officer               | Classification | HP3                           |
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| Status              | Permanent Full Time                        | Salary         | \$43.68 - \$58.59 p.h.        |
| Unit/Facility       | Public Health Unit Environmental<br>Health | Total Package  | Up to \$132,567 p.a.          |
| Location            | Rockhampton                                | Contact        | Peter McKee<br>(07) 4920 6986 |
| Job Ad<br>Reference | RK5H653742                                 | Closing Date   | Sunday, 7 September 2025      |

<sup>\*</sup>Please note: there may be a requirement to work at other facilities located across Central Queensland Hospital and Health Service

#### **Public Health Unit**

Central Queensland Public Health Unit provides services to both the Central Queensland and Central West regions. Our team includes epidemiologists, public health medical officer, public health nurses, environmental health officers, public health data officer and business support staff.

Public health units focus on:

- Protecting health.
- Preventing disease, illness and injury.
- Promoting health and wellbeing at a population or whole of community level.

### The Opportunity

Deliver complex regulatory and non-regulatory environmental health services across Central Queensland Hospital and Health Service (CQHHS) to protect, promote and prevent risks to the community arising from environmental health hazards that impact on the natural and built environment and human health.

### **Total Package**

- 12.75% employer superannuation contribution
- Annual leave loading 17.5%
- Salary packaging
- Work/life balance, variety, and flexibility
- Employee Assistance Program

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Living our values

| Care    | We are attentive to individual needs and circumstance              | Integrity  | We are consistently true, act diligently and lead by example |
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| Respect | We will behave with courtesy,<br>dignity and fairness in all we do | Commitment | We will always do the best we can<br>all of the time         |



#### The Role

- Demonstrate expertise, skill and knowledge, commensurate with the level of experience, to undertake
  routine environmental health services and incident response, implement projects and research, under
  the supervision and professional guidance of a more senior environmental health officer.
- Develop ability to use evidence-based practice to investigate, enforce and prosecute in a court of law, relevant health legislation, in compliance with departmental policies and procedures and in line with contemporary investigatory practice, under the supervision of a more senior environmental health officer.
- Provide competent environmental health advice to internal and external stakeholders and prepare
  routine reports and submissions on environmental health issues to a more senior Environmental Health
  Officer, commensurate with the level of experience.
- Work within a team of Environmental Health Officers in the delivery of environmental health services and within a multi-disciplinary team in response to outbreaks and incidents to address specific public health issues.
- Commensurate with level of experience, provide guidance to less experienced staff and work experience students, in relation to routine procedures and practices, under the supervision of a more senior environmental health officer.
- Use knowledge obtained through tertiary education, professional development and experience, to inform and improve environmental health practice.
- Engage in continual learning and development of environmental health practice knowledge and expertise through active learning within the team and by engaging in ongoing, relevant professional development activities.

## Mandatory Qualifications / Professional Registration / Other Requirements

- **Mandatory qualification/s:** Appointment to this position requires a tertiary qualification accredited by Environmental Health Australia, and which is acceptable by the Chief Executive Queensland Health.
  - Upcoming graduates awaiting conferral of qualifications and registration will be considered for this role.
- Non-mandatory qualifications/requirements: Experience in environmental health will be highly regarded.
- Proof of qualification: Appointment to this position requires proof of qualification and if applicable
  registration or membership with the appropriate registration authority or association. Certified copies of
  the required information must be provided to the appropriate supervisor/manager, prior to the
  commencement of clinical duties.
- Proof of identity documents: Candidates must provide certified copies of requested proof of identity documents for the purposes of General Criminal History and National Police Certificate checks.
- **Disclosure of Serious Disciplinary History:** Under the <u>Public Sector Act 2022</u>, applicants are required to disclose any previous serious disciplinary action taken against them.
- Shift work: Appointees will be required to work all shifts in accordance with the unit roster.
- **Licence to operate vehicle:** This position requires the incumbent to operate a class C motor vehicle and an appropriate licence endorsement to operate this vehicle is required. Proof of this endorsement must be provided prior to the commencement of duty.
- Travel: Travel throughout the health service may be required as part of this position.
- Vaccine Preventable Diseases: It is a condition of employment for this role for the employee to be, and remain, vaccinated against the following vaccine preventable diseases during their employment Health Employment Directive No. 01/16:
  - Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR)
  - Varicella (chicken pox)

- Pertussis (whooping cough)
- o Hepatitis B
- o All new employees who will be working in clinical areas must be assessed for their risk of tuberculosis and screening undertaken if required.

Further vaccinations may be required due to risks for a role; examples include:

- o Hepatitis A Workers in regular contact with untreated sewerage
- o Q Fever Research or Laboratory staff regularly handling specimens
- o Influenza

### How you will be Assessed

You will be assessed on your ability to demonstrate the best fit for the role. Within the context of the responsibilities described under 'The Role', the ideal applicant will be someone who can demonstrate the following:

- Demonstrated base level of knowledge, expertise and skill to deliver routine environmental health services.
- Demonstrated ability or ability to rapidly acquire knowledge and expertise in the interpretation and enforcement of environmental health legislation and relevant state, national and international standards used in connection with environmental health.
- Ability to contribute to the management of environmental health projects/programs.
- Demonstrated ability to provide competent clinical advice on environmental health matters and ability to participate in a single-discipline or multidisciplinary team.
- Demonstrated written and interpersonal communication skills, including the ability to be an effective team member.
- Demonstrated ability to self-manage work activities and impart professional knowledge to environmental health colleagues.
- Demonstrated commitment to continually developing environmental health practice knowledge and expertise.

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