

ATCHISON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

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Job Title: Public Health Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)

Department: Public Health Nursing

Location: Atchison County Health Department, 521 Main St., Tarkio, MO 64491

Job Type: Full-Time or Part-Time, Monday - Thursday, 7:30am - 5:30pm

Closing Date: until a suitable candidate is found

Job Summary:

The Public Health Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) plays a key role in delivering population-based services that improve community health outcomes. Under the supervision of a Public Health RN, the LPN will assist in the provision of clinical services, health screenings, immunizations, communicable disease investigations, and public health education. This position supports the mission and strategic goals of the health department and adheres to the standards established by the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB).

Key Responsibilities:

- Deliver public health nursing services in compliance with federal, state, and local laws, and agency policies.
- Administer immunizations, conduct screenings (e.g., blood pressure, TB, vision, hearing), and assist in clinical procedures in accordance with public health protocols.
- Participate in communicable disease prevention and control, including case interviews, contact tracing, and documentation.
- Support maternal and child health programs, chronic disease prevention, and other community health initiatives.
- Engage in health promotion and disease prevention education within schools, clinics, homes, and community settings.
- Maintain accurate and timely documentation in electronic health records (EHR) and public health reporting systems.
- Participate in emergency preparedness drills, responses, and after-action reviews.
- Assist in community health assessments, community health improvement plans, and quality improvement initiatives as part of ongoing PHAB compliance.
- Collaborate with interdisciplinary teams to ensure culturally competent and equitable care delivery.
- Uphold principles of continuous quality improvement (CQI) and contribute to performance management efforts.

Required Qualifications:

- Graduate of an accredited practical nursing program.
- Current LPN license in Missouri, in good standing.
- CPR Certification (BLS) or ability to obtain within 60 days of hire.
- Valid driver's license and reliable transportation.

- Ability to work independently with minimum supervision, on several tasks at the same time, and to complete assignments effectively amidst frequent distractions and interruptions, often under pressure.
- Ability to lift 50 pounds.
- Ability to stand for longer periods of time.

Preferred Qualifications:

- One (1) year of LPN experience in community or public health setting.
- Knowledge of public health principles, population health, and health equity.
- Experience with immunizations, communicable disease reporting, and EHR systems.
- Bilingual or multilingual skills are a plus.

Core Competencies (aligned with PHAB and Core Competencies for Public Health Professionals):

- **Analytical/Assessment Skills:** Ability to collect, record, and interpret public health data.
- **Communication Skills:** Clear oral and written communication with diverse audiences.
- **Cultural Competency:** Respect for diversity and promotion of health equity.
- **Policy Development/Program Planning:** Participation in implementation of public health programs.
- **Community Dimensions of Practice:** Engage with community stakeholders and clients.
- **Public Health Sciences:** Apply basic clinical knowledge in a public health context.
- **Financial Planning and Management:** Use resources efficiently and document services.
- **Leadership and Systems Thinking:** Contribute to agency's mission, vision, and quality improvement.

Working Conditions:

- May require travel to community sites or home visits.
- May require evening or weekend hours for special events or public health emergencies.
- Work involves exposure to communicable diseases and requires adherence to safety protocols.

Benefits:

- 10 hours vacation/mo and 10 hours of sick leave/mo
- 11 paid holidays per year
- Life Insurance
- Retirement Plan

About Us:

Atchison County Health Department is committed to protecting and promoting the health of all residents. We are proud to support a diverse workforce and foster a culture of excellence, collaboration, and innovation.

How to Apply:

Resumes directed to: Mail: 521 Main, Tarkio, MO 64491 or Email: atcomopublichealth@gmail.com
We will accept resumes until a suitable candidate is found.