PUBLIC HEALTH SANITARIAN 1

KIND OF WORK

First-level professional public health sanitarian work.

NATURE AND PURPOSE

An employee in this class, under immediate supervision, performs beginning level professional environmental health program duties; completes assigned tasks in a variety of environmental health program operations. Work is performed in accordance with established procedures but the employee is given some latitude for independent action.

EXAMPLES OF WORK  (A position may not include all the work examples given, nor does the list include all that may be assigned.)

Investigates outbreaks of intestinal illness to determine the source.

Makes investigations of water supplies and sewage disposal systems.

Collects samples of water, milk, food, animals, plants and other materials for bacteriological, chemical or other laboratory examination.

Receives laboratory results and prepares reports interpreting results to municipalities or individuals.

Makes investigations of sanitary conditions in schools, nursing homes and hospitals.

Visits hotels, restaurants, places of refreshment, lodging and boarding houses, resorts and similar establishments to check for proper sanitation safety and health conditions.

Advises owners and employees of food service establishments on proper food handling and care and cleaning of equipment and utensils.

Organizes and assists in conducting training courses in food handling and sanitary practices.

Makes investigations of complaints.

Interprets and explains laws, rules and regulations.

Gathers evidence, makes reports and initiates complaints for prosecution.

Performs related work as required.
KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES REQUIRED

Knowledge of:

Thorough knowledge of the principles of public health involved in the transmission of disease.

Working knowledge of general requirements for sanitary conditions in public lodging places and establishments serving food and drink.

Thorough knowledge of water supply sanitation.

Thorough knowledge of sewage treatment and disposal.

Thorough knowledge of laws and regulations governing sanitary conditions and practices.

Thorough knowledge of swimming pools and bathing areas.

Working knowledge of what constitutes legal evidence.

Ability to:

Ability to supervise and conduct an educational program in environmental sanitation.

Ability to plan and conduct sanitary surveys and investigations and prepare reports and orders.

Ability to establish effective working relationships with businessmen and the general public.

Ability to enforce laws, rules and regulations with finance and impartiality.