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## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

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## CHIEF BIOSTATISTICIAN DIVISION OF PUBLIC AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SALARY TO: \$98,880 (employee/employer-paid retirement schedule)

**RECRUITMENT OPEN TO:** All qualified persons.

**RECRUITING FOR:** A full-time unclassified position located in the State of Nevada, Division of Public and Behavioral Health in Carson City, Nevada. The position is appointed by the Division Administrator.

The Division of Public and Behavioral Health is seeking a Chief Biostatistician. The Chief Biostatistician works under administrative and departmental direction. The incumbent plans, organizes, and directs the research studies and methodologies for public health programs and functions as the principle consultant to advise program management on data for decision making. The incumbent develops long range statistical forecasting and modeling of health indicators for the State; develops statistical and analytical programs to evaluate the effectiveness of State programs for health care; performs advanced statistical analysis and modeling; identifies health problems which require research and resolution; and responds to requests of the administrator or department leadership for specialized data and information. The incumbent also collaborates with other divisions within the department to advance data integration efforts.

The incumbent also prepares grant proposals, including selecting the research methodology to be utilized; coordinates projects; devises data collection; defines project parameters and statistical methodology; cooperates with other agencies and organizations in the compilation of information; sets project priorities and allocates resources. The Chief Biostatistician directs the activities of biostatisticians, statisticians, and the Division's other health analysts and ensures the quality and accuracy of their work as well as the Division's various statistical products and publications. This position supervises the behavioral health data team and works closely with the Bureau of Behavioral Health, Wellness, and Prevention.

The incumbent works in close association with the Office of Public Health Informatics and Epidemiology, the State Medical Epidemiologist and State Epidemiologist positions to meet the statistical and data needs of the Division, policymakers, and public. This position is responsible for ensuring that informatics systems collect and capture the necessary data to enable analyses and research work. Qualified candidates must have demonstrable experience with statistical software-such as SAS, R, ArcGIS, epidemiology, and statistical methods.

**SPECIAL NOTES AND REQUIREMENTS:** Fingerprinting and a background investigation through the FBI and NHP are required. The employee is responsible for all applicable fees upon hiring plus additional fees for rolling fingerprints.

**QUALIFICATIONS:** Master's degree from an accredited college or university in statistics, biostatistics, math or closely related field and three years' professional experience in planning, organizing and implementing multiple programs dealing with vital statistics, behavioral risk surveillance analysis, demography and epidemiology using various types of statistical software, one year of which must have been in a supervisor or management capacity working with professional staff; OR a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in statistics, biostatistics, math or closely related field and four years' professional experience as described, one year of which must have been in a supervisor or management capacity working staff; OR an equivalent combination of education and experience.

**LOCATION:** The position is located in Nevada's capital, Carson City. Carson City, located in Northern Nevada, has a population of 55,000 and is in close proximity to Reno, Lake Tahoe and the Sierra Nevada Mountains. Sunshine and recreational opportunities abound including skiing, golfing, biking, off-roading, hiking, fishing and hunting.

**BENEFITS:** Benefits include: medical, dental, life and disability insurance programs; participation in the Public Employees Benefit Program for retirement; 11 paid holidays each year; accrual of 3 weeks annual leave and three weeks of sick leave each year.

**TO APPLY:** Please submit a Nevada State Employment application and resume which details your experience, responsibilities, the nature and size of the organization/programs you worked for, salary history, reasons for leaving prior employment, and professional references to:

Division of Public and Behavioral Health Central HR Office Attention: Michelle Barnes 4150 Technology Way, Suite 300 Carson City, NV 89706

**SELECTION PROCESS:** Application material will be screened based on the qualifications; those candidates deemed most qualified will be invited to interview.