

## SOUTHWEST PENNSYLVANIA ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PROJECT

### **Job Title: Public Health Nurse**

**Location:** McMurray, PA

**Full time:** 40 hours per week

Seeking a public health nurse with a passion for engaging in public health practice and providing tangible community assistance. This is a unique opportunity to apply public health/nursing skills to directly assist impacted community members in a flexible, caring environmental health practice.

**Job Summary:** The Southwest Pennsylvania Environmental Health Project (EHP) Public Health Nurse is a position that will center on designing and implementing public health strategies and education relevant to the health risks posed by shale gas development. EHP's proven model for understanding and addressing the public health consequences of unconventional gas development (UGD, aka fracking) is akin to a public health outbreak investigation. The role of the Public Health Nurse is central to our operation. This position involves supporting communities' and health care providers' understanding of potential health effects resulting from nearby shale gas development sites, by leading EHP's multi-disciplinary Health and Wellness Team and working with the larger EHP team to conduct public health outreach education as well as meeting one-on-one with individuals, as needed. The Public Health Nurse is also expected to provide key input into the continued development and refinement of the Project. EHP's team comes from many different professional backgrounds and is focused on assessing public health issues in the Appalachian region and beyond. Together, we explore options for addressing the needs of residents who are concerned that their health may have been affected by nearby UGD. The position allows for creativity and an interest in looking at health circumstances from multiple perspectives.

### **Responsibilities:**

- Lead EHP's Health and Wellness Team;
- Participate in projects to educate local, regional, and national healthcare professionals and community members, including professional presentations and publications in collaboration with other EHP team members;
- Develop and maintain appropriate community, healthcare and academic relationships;
- Provide clinical guidance regarding environmental health concerns;
- As needed, conduct standardized assessments of adults and children either in the office or their home setting;
- Work with EHP's Case Manager to ensure appropriate follow-up with clients to monitor progression/resolution of symptoms identified on the assessment and contact healthcare providers if necessary;
- Work closely with EHP's Environmental Health Educator to conduct community-based health assessments paired with air and water quality monitoring;
- Collaborate with team members to explore and analyze EHP health assessment and emissions monitoring data; and
- Participate with EHP team to understand and apply evolving research on shale emissions and health.

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### **Basic Qualifications:**

RN with experience or interest in environmental public health and with clinical experience. This is an ideal position for an early career nurse to gain experience in environmental public health work. Community outreach experience is a plus. Seeking a healthcare provider with a passion for engaging in public health practice and providing tangible community assistance.

**Salary and Benefits: Negotiable based on qualifications; generous vacation policy**

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**Review of applications will begin December 1, 2018. Position will be open until filled.**