

POSITION DESCRIPTION



TITLE: Environmental Health Specialist I or II

REPORTS TO: Environmental Health Manager

LOCATION: Moses Lake, WA

DATE: 11/1/2023

Do you have a bachelor's degree in science and like working with the public to contribute to the health of your community? Do you operate in a detailed manner and value a culture of trust, teamwork, transparency, respect, and growth? Then you are in the right place. The Grant County Health District (GCHD) is currently accepting applications for an Environmental Health Specialist. The selected individual will be classified as an Environmental Health Specialist I or II depending on qualifications.

GCHD is the local public health district serving Grant County, WA located in beautiful central Washington State. The Health District is governed by the Grant County Board of Health. To learn more about GCHD's programs and services visit www.granthealth.org or on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/GCHD.WA>. Learn more about Grant County at www.tourgrantcounty.com.

SUMMARY OF RESPONSIBILITIES

This position will work primarily in the Food Safety and Solid Waste programs. Additional program work may be done in Drinking Water, On-Site Septic, Water Recreation, Schools, and Vector.

KNOWLEDGE AND ABILITIES

Knowledge of: principles of environmental health; relevant environmental health regulations and ordinances; and foodborne, waterborne, and vectorborne disease prevention and control.

Ability to: create and maintain positive working relationships with colleagues; problem solve; exercise best professional judgment; perform competent field work; provide appropriate customer service; use of Microsoft Office; effectively communicate with colleagues and stakeholders; support a cohesive team environment; work independently; and represent the Health District at local, regional, and state levels.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

- Bachelor's Degree in environmental health, biology, chemistry, geology, or similar physical or life science, OR
- Any Bachelor's degree and 2 years relevant environmental health experience
- Environmental Health Specialist II must be a Registered Sanitarian.

PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Bilingual in Spanish (\$1/hour wage increase after successful bilingual examination)

WORKING CONDITIONS/PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS

This position is non-exempt. The workweek is normally 8-5, Monday – Friday, but may be adjusted based on GCHD needs to include some evenings and weekends. The position should expect to work at least one weekend per month.

Work is performed in an office setting, in the field, and in the community.

Physical requirements of job include speaking, hearing, seeing, sitting, walking, stooping, standing, lifting up to 50 pounds, writing, and driving; use of hands to finger, handle, feel or operate objects, and equipment; reach with hands and arms.

Must have or obtain a valid Washington State driver's license within 30 days of employment and have a car for job related travel. GCHD does maintain a fleet of company vehicles for employee use to conduct GCHD business. All employees are required to show proof that they maintain liability auto insurance.

Must prove or obtain immunity to GCHD for required vaccines within 30 days of employment.

It is the policy of GCHD to not discriminate against any person with regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, marital status, or physical/mental disability.

ANNUAL SALARY AND BENEFITS

Salary (GCHD has a six-step salary matrix):

- Environmental Health Specialist I beginning salary: \$26.18 - \$29.42 per hour DOE
 - Full salary range of position: \$26.18 - \$33.57 per hour
- Environmental Health Specialist II beginning salary: \$29.03 - \$32.62 per hour DOE
 - Full salary range of position: \$29.03 - \$37.22 per hour

Benefits: Public Employees Benefits Board (PEBB) Insurance coverage includes health, dental, vision, and life for employee and dependents, as well as Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) benefits for the employee. GCHD pays for employee's PEBB premium. Employee pays a portion for family coverage. GCHD strives to keep health and dental insurance costs low and affordable for staff.

Training and Career Development: Our agency will encourage your professional growth by providing you with training and career development opportunities to include employer paid continuing education credits.

Think you'd be a good fit?

TO APPLY

- **A GCHD application is required.** A fillable pdf application can be found on our website: <https://granthealth.org/careers/>
- Please submit the completed application along with a resume and cover letter to Rita Morfin:
 - Email: rmorfin@granthealth.org
 - Fax: 509-766-6519
 - Mail: Grant County Health District, 1038 W Ivy, Moses Lake, WA 98837
 - Apply in person: Grant County Health District, 1038 W Ivy, Moses Lake, WA 98837.

Questions? Contact Stephanie Shopbell, Environmental Public Health Manager:
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