

REIMBURSABLE DETAIL
Center for Tobacco Products

The Center for Tobacco Products (CTP), Office of Science (OS), Division of Population Health Science (DPHS) is offering a Detail opportunity for a Social Scientist, GS-0101-14. Applicants and current employees at the GS-13 and GS-14 levels are encouraged to apply. The incumbent will serve as a recognized authority on policies and procedures related to population health and tobacco regulatory science. The Detail is available immediately for a period of 120 days. PHS Commissioned Corps Officers may apply. A temporary promotion may be considered.

Bargaining Unit Status: Bargaining Unit Position

Position: Social Scientist, GS-0101-14

Office Location: FDA
Center for Tobacco Products
Office of Science
11785 Beltsville Drive
Beltsville, MD 20705

Opening Date: **June 26, 2019**
Closing Date: **July 10, 2019**

Area of Consideration: **CTP-Wide**

The CTP, OS, DPHS offers a fast-paced, dynamic environment and an opportunity to work with dedicated, energetic people who want to make a difference to improve public health. The position is ideal for someone who wishes to play a critical role in the organization and would enjoy the challenge of handling a variety of fast-paced and high-impact assignments.

Duties Include:

The incumbent provides authoritative and professional expertise in matters related to population health and tobacco regulatory science, including the behavioral, social, epidemiological and statistical science aspects of public health issues related to tobacco products. The incumbent performs a number of duties as described in the following:

- Provides advice and leadership on scientific matters related to existing and proposed policies, programs, regulations. Analyzes a variety of scientific, regulatory, and organizational issues which affect DPHS/OS policies and prepares formal recommendations. Evaluates existing policies and procedures to ensure appropriate implementation, efficiency, and effectiveness. Provides counsel and guidance on the management aspects and implications of proposed DPHS/OS policies to ensure that these policies align with departmental, Agency, and Center policies.

- Applies expert knowledge of quantitative and qualitative research methods and social science to the review of scientific materials, including research protocols, data collection instruments, briefings, abstracts, posters, presentations, and publications. Advises staff on study design, data collection instruments analyses, and communication of findings. Supports leadership on the review and clearance of scientific materials.
- Supports leadership in providing management and strategic direction for Division-led efforts in the areas of product regulation and tobacco regulatory science. Coordinates Division-level responses to challenging regulatory, review, and scientific tasks. Assists in the review of concept proposals, publications, and presentations.
- Maintains expert knowledge and keeps abreast of emerging and ongoing findings in the field of health science, epidemiology, and tobacco regulatory science.

Desired Knowledge and Skills:

- Knowledge of and demonstrated experience in planning, conducting, and evaluating public health research, including issues related to study design, data analysis, and interpretation of findings.
- Expert knowledge of a wide range of scientific and public health principles, qualitative and/or quantitative research methods, practices, techniques, and current research developments as applied to the monitoring and evaluation of programs designed to improve public health.
- Strong collaboration skills.
- Excellent organizational skills.
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.

Application Procedure:

Supervisory concurrence should be obtained before you apply to this Detail. The Detail opportunity is open to all qualified candidates at the GS-13 or GS-14 grade level or Commissioned Corps Officers (O4/O5/O6).

Interested applicants should submit a copy of their resume, most recent copy of SF-50, and statement of interest via email to:

Miranda Jones
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If you are not a current Social Scientist, please submit a copy of your Transcripts with your application.

Detail is reimbursable.

Travel Expenses will not be paid.

Candidates must express interest by July 10, 2019.

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