

REIMBURSABLE DETAIL
Center for Tobacco Products
Office of Science

The Center for Tobacco Products (CTP), Office of Science (OS), Division of Population Health Science (DPHS), is offering a Detail opportunity to Unclassified Duties (Economist), GS-0110-11. Applicants at the GS-11 level are encouraged to apply. The Detail is available immediately for a period of 120 days. Commissioned Corps Officers are encouraged to apply.

Bargaining Unit Status: **Bargaining Unit Position**

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

Opening Date: **February 8, 2021**
Closing Date: **February 22, 2021**

Area of Consideration: **FDA-Wide**

The Center for Tobacco Products (CTP), Office of Science (OS), Division of Population Health Science offers a fast-paced, dynamic environment and an opportunity to work with dedicated, energetic people who really want to make a difference and improve public health. The position is ideal for someone who wants to have a critical role in the organization and would enjoy the challenge of handling a variety of assignments.

Duties:

The selected candidate will serve as an Economist providing tobacco economic-related research, evaluation, and surveillance support to OS. Some duties may include:

- Assisting in conducting tobacco-related research, evaluation, and analysis to inform economic and sales data reviews and reports for OS and CTP.
- Assisting in compiling, analyzing and reporting tobacco sales data and other data to support and inform tobacco regulatory activities;
- Assisting in monitoring tobacco marketplace trends, changing tobacco industry business practices, tobacco policies, and any tobacco-related economic or industry developments affecting OS and CTP.
- In a limited capacity, applies methods of applied economics, including economic evaluation, especially in the areas of health economics related to tobacco products.
- Assisting with each step of the research and evaluation process in relation to assigned area
 - of investigation including: stating the problem; hypothesizing a solution and planning
 - method of proving the hypothesis; locating and collecting requisite data; analyzing and
 - interpreting pertinent information; drawing conclusions; and presenting findings,
 - sometimes, including recommendations for action to support and inform tobacco regulation.
- With guidance from supervisor, manages multiple competing work priorities, ensuring

quality of work and deadlines are met;

- Assisting in monitoring and evaluation of tobacco programs and policies to inform and support tobacco regulation
- Performing other duties as assigned.

Desired Knowledge and Skills:

- General knowledge of the methods of applied economics, especially in the areas of health economics, cost-benefit analysis, and risk;
- Experience assisting with tobacco economic research and/or tobacco program and policy evaluation studies;
- Skill in identifying problems, gathering information, drawing conclusions and recommending solutions with guidance from supervisor or higher graded scientist;
- Ability to convey economic concepts in a concise, non-technical manner to a general audience;
- Excellent organizational skills;
- Skill in working collaboratively in a team environment; and
- Excellent oral and written communication skills.

Application Procedure:

Supervisory concurrence is required to accept a detail; it is NOT required to apply. The detail opportunity is open to all qualified candidates at the GS-11 grade level and USPHS Commissioned Corps Officers (O2, O3).

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

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Detail is reimbursable. Travel Expenses will not be paid.

Candidates must express interest by February 22, 2021

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