

**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 (Supervisory Social Scientist), GS-0101-14. Applicants at the GS-14 level are encouraged to apply. The Detail is available immediately for a period of 60 days, with possible multiple rotations. Commissioned Corps Officers (O-5/O-6) are encouraged to apply. A temporary promotion will not be considered.

Bargaining Unit Status: **Non-Bargaining Unit**

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

Opening Date: **January 11, 2022**

Closing Date: **January 18, 2022**

Area of Consideration: **FDA-Wide**

The CTP, OS, DPHS 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 Supervisory Social Scientist (Branch 2 Chief). Duties may include:

- Plans, schedules, and oversees work of supervisors and staff based on priorities, considering difficulty and requirements of assignments as well as the capabilities of employees;
- Provides verbal and written findings and recommendations to other Agency organizations, other Federal agencies, regulated industry, universities, and state, local, and foreign governments;
- Makes presentations at conferences and professional meetings in the U.S. and overseas before the regulated industry, public health organizations, and the social science research community. The Branch Chief sometimes serves at these meetings as the sole representative of the FDA;
- Leads the development of strategies and programs to understand and address the behavioral component of public health issues, including assessment of risk and protective factors for health outcomes;
- Provides oversight of research related to the behavioral aspects contributing to public health issues and problems and the development of strategies and programs to understand and address the behavioral component of public health issues,

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- Manages staff and supervisors who review Modified Risk Tobacco Product and Premarket Tobacco Product Applications;
 - With guidance from supervisor, manages multiple competing work priorities, ensuring quality of work and deadlines are met;
 - Assists in monitoring and evaluation of tobacco programs and policies to inform and support tobacco regulation;
 - Performing other duties as assigned.

Desired Knowledge and Skills:

- Knowledge and previous experience leading social science research and applying the principles of social and behavioral science to provide scientific support for regulatory actions, including the design, conduct, and review of consumer perception studies to support regulation of modified risk tobacco products;
- Analytical ability sufficient to identify and assess behavioral issues related to social science research and the ability to analyze data, produce reports, presentations, and briefing documents to support CTP regulatory actions;
- Expert knowledge of a wide range of scientific and public health principles applied to support CTP regulation of tobacco products, including qualitative and/or quantitative research methods, practices, techniques, and analyses;
- Strong collaboration skills and previous experience working closely with social science work to support CTP regulatory actions;
- Excellent oral and written communication skills;
- Excellent organizational skills; and
- Skill in working collaboratively in a team environment;

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-14 grade level and USPHS Commissioned Corps Officers (O5/O6).

Please enter Detail: CTP, OS, DPHS Unclassified Duties, GS-0101-14 (January 2022) in the subject line of e-mail.

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 January 18, 2022

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