

**REIMBURSABLE DETAIL
FDA Center for Tobacco Products**

The Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Center for Tobacco Products (CTP), Office of Health Communication and Education (OHCE) is offering a Detail opportunity for a **Supervisory Health Scientist, GS-0601-14**. Applicants and current employees at the GS-13 and GS-14 levels are encouraged to apply. The Detail is available for a period of 90 days, with possible multiple rotations. PHS Commissioned Corps Officers may apply. A temporary promotion may be considered.

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

Position: Supervisory Health Scientist

Office Location: FDA
Center for Tobacco Products
10993 New Hampshire Ave
Silver Spring, MD 20903

Opening Date: **May 31, 2022**

Closing Date: **June 6, 2022**

Area of Consideration: **CTP-wide**

The CTP 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 OHCE is the central point for communication about CTP's activities, public education campaigns, and key messages to provide information about the regulation of tobacco products, the health risks associated with tobacco use, and the benefits of quitting or never starting to use tobacco.

Duties include:

The selected employee will serve as a Supervisory Health Scientist (Formative Research Team) in the Division of Research and Evaluation (DRE) in OHCE.

The duties may include:

- Serve as a recognized expert in communication sciences for CTP and bring health science expertise in an appropriate scientific field such as behavioral science, communication science, epidemiology, demography, statistics, and evaluation.
- As a senior scientific expert, serve as advisor for the planning, design, implementation, and analysis of formative research projects, including both qualitative and quantitative research/studies.
- Identify and analyze public health issues and their impact on scientific operations that are critical to the public health community at large. Analyze data utilizing new methodologies or existing techniques that have been extensively revised. Conduct major focus group research and copy testing projects that represent an important segment of the center's primary investigative program.

- Perform the administrative and human resources management functions relative to staff supervised. Establish guidelines and performance expectations for staff members, which are clearly communicated through the formal employee performance management system.
- Lead scientists and program consultants in various aspects of a study or survey design process, and other study support duties including analyzing and reporting of data and data dissemination to audiences. Provide advice and assistance in evaluating the methodology of past and proposed studies conducted within the program and assist subject-matter experts in the design of studies conducted within or sponsored by the program.
- Review literature to maintain current knowledge about measuring and evaluating public education initiatives at local, state, and national levels. Develop and prepare bibliographies that identify critical issues and areas for future research. Synthesize and interpret the relevant literature and provide analytical review of current research. Prepare scientific articles and technical reports for publication in national and international public health journals.

Desired Knowledge and Skills:

- Demonstrated knowledge of administrative and human resources management functions relative to staff supervised.
- Expertise in the coordination and integration of important and complex programs of professional, scientific, technical, or managerial work.
- Expertise in health communications and marketing principles, methods, practices, research, and techniques; analytical methods; and interpersonal relations practices as well as the ability to analyze scientific and technical information and translate it into language appropriate for the intended audience ensuring that the information is current and accurate.
- Expertise in primary and secondary data sources, environmental scanning, needs assessments, and health/risk communication to identify information gaps/needs and opportunities; define and analyze target audiences; and manage staff and partners to formulate communication and marketing strategies. Skill to apply this expertise to developing new methods and approaches in planning, integrating, and evaluating the overall health communication and marketing research and evaluation to support the organization's functional program.
- Extensive knowledge of the mission, goals, and objectives of the Center and how they relate to the policies, practices, procedures, and regulations which affect the way the organization operates at the local, state, territorial, tribal nation, national, and international levels.
- Mastery of a wide range of qualitative and/or quantitative methods for the assessment and improvement of program effectiveness or the improvement of complex management processes and systems.

Application Procedure:

Supervisory concurrence should be obtained if selected for this Detail. The Detail opportunity is

open to all candidates qualified at the GS-13 and/or GS-14 grade levels or Commissioned Corps Officers (O5/O6).

Please enter **Detail: CTP, OHCE Supervisory Health Scientist, GS-0601-14 (June)** in the subject line of e-mail.

Interested applicants should submit a copy of their resume, most recent copy of SF-50, copy of their transcripts, 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 June 6, 2022.

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