

CENTER FOR FOOD SAFETY AND APPLIED NUTRITION

Staff Fellow Job Announcement Posting

The Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (CFSAN) is a national leader in protecting and promoting public health. CFSAN is responsible for promoting and protecting the public's health by ensuring that the nation's food supply is safe, sanitary, wholesome, and honestly labeled, and that cosmetic products are safe and properly labeled. To learn more about CFSAN please visit:

<https://www.youtube.com/embed/olTyHjWe46w>

This position is located in the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition, Office of Nutrition and Food Labeling, Infant Formula and Medical Foods Staff.

This position is within the Staff Fellowship program. To read more about it please visit: [FDA's Staff Fellowship Program | FDA](#)

Open Period

08/05/2022-08/19/2022

Location

College Park, MD

Salary

\$74,950 - \$138,868 (salary to commensurate with experience)

Duties of the Position

- Plans, conducts, and directs highly technical, complex and multi-faceted reviews, inspections, and in-depth investigations to identify and understand the most difficult and complex scientific and regulatory issues.
- Develops regulatory policy and guidance documents related to Infant formula and medical foods.
- Oversees the administrative record of infant formula submissions and updates appropriate databases and tracking systems to reflect the status of each submission.
- Provides and coordinates oral and written responses to both routine and complex inquiries from a variety of stakeholders, including other offices in FDA, other Federal agencies, stakeholders from industry, and State, local and foreign governments.

- Evaluates and makes recommendations on necessary regulatory action required for complaints and adverse event reports

Qualifications

Candidates must demonstrate that they meet one of the basic education requirements (a); advanced education requirements (b); and experience (c) as noted below.

A. BASIC EDUCATION QUALIFICATIONS:

Biologist, 0401:

Degree: biological sciences, agriculture, natural resource management, chemistry, or related disciplines appropriate to the position. OR B. Combination of education and experience: Courses equivalent to a major, as shown in A above, plus appropriate experience or additional education (must provide a copy of transcripts at time of application).

Microbiologist, 0403:

Degree: microbiology; or biology, chemistry, or basic medical science that included at least 20 semester hours in microbiology and other subjects related to the study of microorganisms, and 20 semester hours in the physical and mathematical sciences combining course work in organic chemistry or biochemistry, physics, and college algebra, or their equivalent; *or* Combination of education and experience: courses equivalent to a major in microbiology, biology, chemistry, or basic medical science that included courses as shown in A above, plus appropriate experience or additional education (must provide a copy of transcripts at time of application).

Nutritionist, 0630:

Applicants must meet one of the following requirements for all grade levels:

- Bachelor's or graduate/higher level degree in the fields of dietetics, food, nutrition, food service management, institution management, or related science. The educational program must have been accredited by the [Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics \(external link\)](#) (ACEND), or an accrediting body recognized by the [U.S. Department of Education](#) at the time the degree was obtained. For dietitian positions, the curriculum must have been in accordance with the qualifying requirements established by the [Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics \(AND\) \(external link\)](#) (formerly [American Dietetic Association \(external link\)](#) (ADA) prior to January 1, 2012) in effect at the time of graduation.
- Completion of a coordinated undergraduate program, internship, or other clinical component approved by AND (formerly ADA) for dietitians or nutritionists.
- Professional registration as a Registered Dietitian (RD) or Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN).

(must provide a copy of transcripts at time of application)

Chemist, 1320:

Degree: physical sciences, life sciences, or engineering that included 30 semester hours in chemistry, supplemented by course work in mathematics through differential and integral calculus, and at least 6 semester hours of physics; *or* Combination of education and experience -- course work equivalent to a major as shown in A above, including at least 30 semester hours in chemistry, supplemented by mathematics through differential and integral calculus, and at least 6 semester hours of physics, plus appropriate experience or additional education (must provide a copy of transcripts at time of application).

Food Technologist, 1382:

Degree: food technology, or dairy technology, microbiology, biology, chemistry, physics, or a related discipline or field of biological or physical science. The course work must have been comprised of at least 30 semester hours in the basic biological and physical sciences, and included at least 20 semester hours in food technology and closely related subjects, or 20 semester hours in subjects that can be applied directly to food technology; *or* Combination of education and experience -- courses equivalent to a major, including the course work specified, as shown in A above, plus appropriate experience or additional education (must provide a copy of transcripts at time of application).

B. ADVANCED EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

In order to qualify as a Staff Fellow, candidates must possess a Ph.D. or equivalent degree (ex: M.D, V.M.D, or Sc.D.) (must provide a copy of diploma or transcripts at time of application)

C. SPECIALIZED EXPERIENCE:

Applicants must possess at least one year of specialized experience equivalent in complexity to the GS-12 level in the Federal service: Reviewing nutrition protocols to ensure they are consistent with regulations; AND providing technical support to management on regulations or policies related to food safety. (*Experience must be documented within resume*)

Application Procedures

To be considered for this job opportunity, candidates must submit the following (1) resume (2) a written statement within application package that identifies whether the candidate is a US Citizen or National; (3) and a copy of transcripts demonstrating that the education as described in A and B are met by **the closing date of this announcement**. **Complete applications must be sent to ApplytoCFSAN-ONFL@fda.hhs.gov.**

Reasonable Accommodations

FDA provides reasonable accommodations to applicants/employees with disabilities. If you need accommodations for any part of the application process, please visit the FDA Reasonable Accommodations & Accessibility page. The decision to grant reasonable accommodations is made on a case-by-case basis. The FDA actively encourages people with disabilities to apply for vacancies/developmental assignments with FDA.

Vaccination Information

To ensure compliance with an applicable preliminary nationwide injunction, which may be supplemented, modified, or vacated, depending on the course of ongoing litigation, the Federal Government will take no action to implement or enforce the COVID-19 vaccination requirement pursuant to Executive Order 14043 on Requiring Coronavirus Disease 2019 Vaccination for Federal Employees. Safer Federal Workforce Task Force guidance on other Federal agency safety protocols based on vaccination status—including guidance on protocols related to masking, distancing, travel, testing, and quarantine—remains in effect.

Expanded/Maximum telework Posture

Due to COVID-19, the agency is currently in a maximum telework posture. If selected, you may be expected to telework upon your appointment. As employees are permitted to return to the office, you may be required to report to the duty station listed on this announcement within 30 calendar days of receiving notice to do so, even if your home/temporary telework site is located outside the local commuting area. Your position may be eligible for workplace flexibilities which may include remote work or telework options, and/or flexible work scheduling. These flexibilities may be requested in accordance with the HHS Workplace Flexibilities policy.

Equal Employment Opportunity Policy

The United States Government does not discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy and gender identity), national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, genetic information, age, membership in an employee organization, retaliation, parental status, military service, or other non-merit factor.

To learn more, please consult the following resources:

- [Equal Employment Opportunity \(EEO\) office at OPM](#)
- [Office of Equal Opportunity](#)