

**REIMBURSABLE DETAIL**  
**Center for Tobacco Products**

The Center for Tobacco Products (CTP), Office of Science (OS), Division of Population Health Science (DPHS), Social Science Branch 1 is offering a Detail opportunity for a Supervisory Social Scientist, GS-0101-14. Applicants at the GS-13 and GS-14 level are encouraged to apply. The Detail is available immediately for a period of up to 120 days. PHS Commissioned Corps Officers may apply.

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

**Position:**    Supervisory Social Scientist

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

**Opening Date:**                                      **December 13, 2022**

**Closing Date:**                                      **December 19, 2022**

**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 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 a Supervisory Social Scientist (Branch 1). Duties may include:

- Provides administrative and technical direction to a subordinate staff which provides authoritative and professional expertise in dealing with the behavioral and social science aspect of public health issues related to tobacco products.
- Analyzes, formulates, and develops ideas, concepts and methodology for new or revised policies, procedures, and systems for designing, implementing and evaluating programs related to social science analysis.
- Compiles and analyzes research data to prepare reports, presentations, and briefing documents related to scientific support for regulation of tobacco products.

- Develops state of the art research projects to address gaps in scientific knowledge need for effective regulation of tobacco products.
- Leads the development of strategies and programs to understand and address the social, psychological and behavioral component issues of tobacco use, including assessment of risk and protective factors for use.

**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.

**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-13 and GS-14 grade level or Commissioned Corps Officers (O5/O6).

**Please enter Detail: CTP, OS, DPHS Supervisory Social Scientist, GS-0101-14 (December 2022) in the subject line of e-mail.**

**Interested applicants should submit a copy of their resume, most recent copy of SF-50, and statement of interest via email to: [CTP-Recruitment@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:CTP-Recruitment@fda.hhs.gov)**

For other inquiries, please contact Alicia Harper: [Alicia.Harper@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:Alicia.Harper@fda.hhs.gov)

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 December 19, 2022.**

**\*This is not an official vacancy announcement under the Merit Promotion System**