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ERIE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH HIRING CONTACT TRACERS AND PUBLIC HEALTH SANITARIANS

New positions will support COVID-19 response

ERIE COUNTY, NY— The Erie County Department of Health is accepting applications for jobs within its Division of Environmental Health and Office of Epidemiology.

There are two part-time and six full-time positions open for investigating public health sanitarians in the Division of Environmental Health. Individuals in these roles inspect permitted facilities, septic/water systems for compliance with sanitary code and other local, state and federal regulations. Sanitarians also conduct inspections for lead hazards.

Within the Office of Epidemiology, there are open positions for contact tracers, assistant supervisors and supervisors. Contact tracers perform thorough case investigations for people diagnosed with COVID-19. They communicate by telephone to notify close contacts of their exposure to COVID-19 and provide information on isolation and quarantine. Preferred qualifications include excellent communication and organizational skills, proficiency with computer use, the ability to maintain confidentiality, and successful completion of the Johns Hopkins Contact Tracing Program.

“Each of these positions is tied in to core functions of our COVID-19 response,” said Commissioner of Health Dr. Gale Burstein. “We are seeking to build our capacity for contact tracing and enforcement of public health and safety regulations related to COVID-19 this fall.”

Interested applicants can visit the ECDOH web site (https://www2.erie.gov/health/index.php?q=ecdoh-employment-opportunities) for details on qualifications and instructions on how to apply. That page also includes other department job openings.

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Johns Hopkins Contact Tracing Program: https://coronavirus.jhu.edu/contact-tracing

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