

Public Health Nurse (\$31.00-\$33.00/hr) Dependent on Experience.

Duties:

- Delivers professional public health nursing services using assessment, diagnosis, planning, implementation, and evaluation frameworks.
- Promotes health among individuals, families, and communities through education, counseling, and preventive, therapeutic, and rehabilitative care.
- Provides nursing services in homes and clinics, including immunizations, communicable disease control, lead poisoning prevention, adolescent health services, and case management for children with special needs.
- Participates in the determination of priorities for nursing service according to identified community needs.
- Collaborates with healthcare providers, social service agencies, and community members in regard to public health services.
- Offers supportive care through active listening, client management, and referrals.
- Maintains thorough documentation of interactions, follow-ups, and related activities.
- Engages in ongoing professional development through conferences, workshops, and continued learning.
- Conducts health risk assessments and applies problem-solving to address client needs.
- This description is intended to illustrate the type and level of work being performed by persons assigned to this job. It may not be a comprehensive list of all duties and responsibilities required by a person so classified.

EDUCATION AND EXPERIENCE:

- Bachelor's degree in nursing with a Registered Nursing License in the State of Michigan is preferred with at least two years of experience in Community Nursing or Public Health Nursing **OR**
- Registered Nurse in the State of Michigan and an accumulated total of at least three years of experience as a Registered Nurse preferably in a Community or Public Health Setting.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Must possess and maintain a valid vehicle operator's license with access to a reliable vehicle throughout the course of employment.
- In times of a public health emergency, may be required to report for specialized assigned duties inside or outside of Van Buren or Cass County.
- Must maintain a valid Registered Nursing License in Michigan throughout employment at Van Buren Cass District Health Department with no infractions.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS:

- Thorough knowledge of nursing theory and clinical skills.
- Solid understanding of state and local public health programs, relevant laws, and public health nursing practices.
- Familiarity with communicable disease epidemiology and the ability to conduct investigations.
- Good understanding of growth and development, with the ability to identify abnormalities.
- Familiarity with medical protocols and clinical procedures.

- Skilled in interpreting and explaining public health laws and regulations.
- Strong problem-solving abilities in planning and delivering nursing care.
- Proven ability to build and maintain effective working relationships with clients, colleagues, healthcare professionals, community agencies, and the public.

The Public Health Nurse to play a vital role in promoting community health and well-being. This position involves working closely with individuals, families, and communities to assess health needs, develop health education programs, and provide nursing care. The Public Health Nurse will focus on improving health outcomes for diverse populations, including those with disabilities, and will engage in various public health initiatives.