

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH  
POSTING OF VACANCY

DPH Employees are strongly encouraged to apply

**PRINCIPAL CHEMIST**  
**LABORATORY – Environmental Chemistry – Inorganic Chemistry**

POSTING DATE: August 27, 2014

CLOSING DATE: September 4, 2014\*

**PLEASE FOLLOW THE SPECIFIC APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE!**

**OPEN TO: Candidates who are on a current certification list**

**POSITION CONTROL NUMBER: 12309DL PLEASE NOTE: THIS NUMBER MUST BE INCLUDED ON YOUR APPLICATION**

**LOCATION: 395 West Street, Rocky Hill**

**SHIFT/HOURS: 1<sup>st</sup> Shift/35 hours/week**

**SALARY GROUP/RANGE: HC 24/\$59,089\*-80,010 (\*NEW State Employees)**

**NOTE: Candidates must have applied for and passed the Principal Chemist exam and be on the current certification list promulgated by the Department of Administrative Services. State employees currently holding the above title or those who have previously attained permanent status in the class may apply for lateral transfer. Applicants will not have the opportunity to take the exam prior to the above closing date to qualify for this particular vacancy.**

**PREFERRED SKILLS:**

- Experience in testing environmental samples for inorganic chemistry parameters and/or metals using advanced analytical instrumentation
- Experience in prioritizing work and managing workflows in a laboratory setting
- Demonstrated ability to communicate effectively with staff of all levels
- Experience with laboratory quality assurance procedures and protocols
- Experience in a leadership role for a diverse group of scientists.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS REQUIRED:**

**Knowledge, Skill and Ability:** Considerable knowledge of current theories, principals and practices of chemistry; considerable knowledge of current laboratory methods, applications, examinations, equipment, instrumentation and material; considerable knowledge of laboratory quality assurance and quality control policies and procedures; knowledge of universal laboratory precautions; interpersonal skills; considerable oral and written communication skills; considerable ability to conduct analytical, consultative and research activities; ability to interpret complex examination results; ability to utilize computer software; some supervisory ability.

**EXPERIENCE AND TRAINING:**

**General Experience:** Eight (8) years of experience in an industrial, public health, toxicology, medical or materials laboratory involving scientific work in the field of chemistry.

**Special Experience:** Two (2) years of the General Experience must have been at the full working level in the field of chemistry. For state employees this is interpreted at the level of Chemist 2.

**Substitution Allowed:**

1. College training in chemistry or a closely related field may be substituted for the General Experience on the basis of fifteen (15) semester hours equaling one half (1/2) year of employment to a maximum of four (4) years for a Bachelor's degree.

2. A Master's degree in chemistry or a closely related field may be substituted for one (1) additional year of the General Experience.

**Special Requirement:**

1) Incumbents in this class must be willing to periodically undergo tests and immunizations for communicable diseases; 2) Incumbents in this class may be required to have specific education and/or experience to meet the various certification and/or licensing requirements; 3) Incumbents in this class may be required to undergo and successfully complete security background checks.

**Working Conditions:** Incumbents in this class may be exposed to communicable diseases and hazardous substances.

**PLEASE NOTE:** This position will be filled in accordance with reemployment, SEBAC, transfer, promotion and merit employment rules.  
**Application Instructions:**

**ANYONE WISHING TO APPLY FOR THIS POSITION MUST SUBMIT A COMPLETE State of Connecticut Application Form for Examination and Employment (Form CT-HR-12), INCLUSION OF A RESUME IS OPTIONAL. THE ORIGINAL AND ONE COPY OF ENTIRE APPLICATION PACKAGE MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN THE CLOSING DATE AT THE TOP OF THIS FORM AT:**

Department of Public Health  
410 Capitol Avenue, MS #13PER  
PO Box 340308  
Hartford, CT 06134-0308  
FAX: 860-509-7184(if faxing, only one application is necessary)  
EMAIL: [dph.recruitment@ct.gov](mailto:dph.recruitment@ct.gov)

\* The closing date is for this posting. This may differ from the examination closing date for a competitive examination. Questions regarding this process should be directed to the Human Resources Office (Recruitment Hotline, 509-7223).

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