OSWEGO COUNTY
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Location: Oswego County Health Department
70 Bunner Street
Oswego, New York 13126

Salary: $85,507 - $123,360 plus competitive benefits package

Summary of Duties: The Director of Public Health initiates, directs, manages, and regulates the County Health Department’s delivery of public health services throughout Oswego County. The work is performed in accordance with applicable state and local laws under the general direction of the County Administrator, the Health & Human Services Committee of the Oswego County Legislature, and in cooperation with the local Board of Health.

The Oswego County Health Department works to protect and preserve the health of all County residents through the identification, influence, and treatment of disease and disease trends in Oswego County. The Department is comprised of divisions in the areas of Public Health Nursing, Children with Special Needs, Environmental Health, Public Health Education, and Emergency Preparedness.

The department provides a wide spectrum of services within each division including Preventative Health, Long Term Care, Home Health, Hospice, Early Intervention, Water Quality, Health Protection Services, Sanitation/Inspection Services, and Environmental Engineering.

The Director of Public Health has oversight of the daily operations including supervision of approximately 90 employees with an annual operating budget of 15.4 million dollars.

Appointment to the position is recommended by the County Administrator with the approval of the County Legislature and State Commissioner of Health.

Oswego County residency and United States citizenship is required at time of appointment.
Qualifications: Minimum qualifications for a public health director are set forth in the New York State Sanitary Code § 11.182.

(a) A public health director shall possess:

(1) a master's degree in public health from a regionally accredited or New York State-registered college or university that demonstrates the core competencies of a public health education (Biostatistics, Environmental Health Sciences, Epidemiology, Health Policy and Management, and Social and Behavior Sciences) or a master’s degree in a related field from a regionally accredited or New York State-registered college or university. Related fields include public health nursing, health administration, community health education or environmental health; and

(2) two years of administrative experience in a health related organization or government agency that demonstrates that the candidate possesses the knowledge and skills necessary to administer public health programs including workforce and budget management, effective communication, effective establishment and implementation of policy or business goals, and compliance with legal requirements.

(b) All appointments to the position of public health director and the appointment and arrangements for the medical consultant are subject to the approval of the State Commissioner of Health.

(c) Candidates who do not meet the education or experience requirements of this section may be conditionally approved for an appointment of two years by the State Commissioner of Health with an opportunity for two additional one year conditional renewals. Final approval of these candidates shall be contingent on satisfactory progress in meeting a public health education or experience plan developed in conjunction with and approved by the State Commissioner of Health.

Setting: Oswego County (population approximately 122,000) is located on Lake Ontario in Central New York, approximately 40 miles north of Syracuse and 80 miles east of Rochester.

To Apply: Application review will begin March 5, 2012 and continue until the position is filled. Send resume and application to:

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