



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

About the Position: The Mississippi State Department of Health is seeking to fill a Public Health Program Specialist I (Breastfeeding Peer Counselor) vacancy at the George County Health Department in Lucedale, MS.

Job Responsibilities: The Public Health Program Specialist I (Breastfeeding Peer Counselor) will provide routine periodic breastfeeding related counseling for pregnant and breastfeeding clients via clinic visits, mail, and phone calls according to the Breastfeeding Program Guidelines. Offers breastfeeding information and support. This is a first-level professional position also accountable for researching, consulting, planning, promoting, implementing, and/or evaluating a public health program, service, or grant or implementing environmentally influenced public health laws and regulations. At this level, employees will aid partners, contractors, and agencies involved in program implementation. Positions also perform day-to-day program activities including meeting with clients, evaluating health information, and participating in public health events.

To be Successful: Successful employees need to have excellent multitasking, organizational, and communication skills. Employees must prioritize work to meet deadlines and be an effective team player. Need to have knowledge of MSDH programs and use that knowledge effectively to assist clients and/or patients as needed.

Salary Range: \$31,111.11 - \$42,466.67 Directly related experience and advanced education will be considered for any salary increases beyond the starting salary.

Schedule: 40 hours/week

Location(s): George County (routine travel within District IX)

Preferred Qualifications: Typically requires a Bachelor's of Science Degree, 0-2 years of experience and 6 months personal breastfeeding experience.

Reference Job Action # 17766

How to Apply: Interested applicants should submit: 1.) Cover letter indicating the location(s) for which he/she is applying; 2.) State of Mississippi Employment Application and/or résumé through [MSDH Online Application](#).

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