



MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

The Mississippi State Department of Health, Mississippi Public Health Laboratory, is seeking to fill a Public Health Laboratory Scientist II vacancy in our Mycobacteriology Section. This position will perform tests, interpret data and report results on clinical or environmental specimens submitted to the Mississippi Public Health Laboratory in accordance with established policies and procedures and under the supervision of a team lead. This position will execute a variety of microbiological methodologies for the identification of various mycobacterial and fungal agents in clinical specimens. This position will perform complex testing on clinical specimens using microbiological culture techniques, prepare and read acid fast smears using a fluorescent microscope, perform nucleic acid amplification testing, perform testing using a MALDI-TOF Mass Spectrometer and perform drug susceptibility testing on Mycobacteria tuberculosis complex isolates. This position will also serve as a subject matter expert and answer technical questions from various federal, state, and local agencies and the general public. This position will also evaluate, maintain, trouble-shoot and repair instruments used for testing, participate in the daily operations of the testing section of the laboratory, enter and maintain data in the laboratory information system (LIMS), follow quality system measures as defined by the State and Federal certification agencies, review and approve peer analytical data to interpret results, and perform work as trained and in compliance with all laboratory policies and procedures to maintain MS Public Health Laboratory certification by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

Salary Range: \$43,509.31 - \$57,105.97 Based on education and experience

Location(s): Hinds County, Central Office

Qualifications: Bachelor's Degree with a minimum of 24 hours of biology, chemistry or physics courses and 2-4 years of laboratory experience.

How to apply: Interested applicants with a love of science should submit: 1) Cover letter indicating the title and location(s) for the area in which he/she is applying; 2) *State of Mississippi Employment Application* (<http://www.mspb.ms.gov/media/6595/application%20word%20template.pdf>) and resume to:

Mississippi State Department of Health
Office of Human Resources
Attn: Southern Region Administrator
P.O. Box 1700
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