

DUTY STATEMENT

Class Title Research Scientist I (Social/Behavioral Sciences)	Position Number 581-330-5580-909
COI Classification <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Unit	
Section Data and Information Section (DIS)	
Branch Chronic Disease Control Branch (CDCB)	
Division Chronic Disease and Injury Control Division (CDIC)	

This position requires the incumbent maintain consistent and regular attendance; communicate effectively (orally and in writing if both appropriate) in dealing with the public and/or other employees; develop and maintain knowledge and skill related to specific tasks, methodologies, materials, tools, and equipment; complete assignments in a timely and efficient manner; and, adhere to departmental policies and procedures regarding attendance, leave, and conduct.

Job Summary: Under the supervision of the Public Health Medical Officer (PHMO) III (Supervisor), the Research Scientist (RS) I (Social/Behavioral Sciences) plans, organizes, and carries out evaluation activities for the CDCB, with a focus on cardiovascular disease and diabetes prevention and control. The incumbent will work collaboratively with a multi-disciplinary team including health program specialists and epidemiology staff. The RS I supports the development and implementation of all evaluation activities in the Branch; provides evaluation technical assistance and support to programs and partners; may work with an outside consultant to assist with establishing measures and conducting baseline assessments for programs; participates in the Evaluation Workgroup.

Supervision Received: Under supervision of the PHMO III (Supervisor), Data and Information Section (DIS).

Supervision Exercised: None.

Description of Duties: See below.

Percent of Time	Essential Functions
40%	Supports planning and implementation of social/behavioral evaluation projects involving state public health actions to prevent and control diabetes, heart disease, obesity, and associated risk factors through implementation of evidence-based strategies that reduce unhealthful behavior and promote healthy behaviors through health education. Utilizes economic and political science research methods of the social/behavioral sciences to conduct quantitative and qualitative evaluation activities that measure program impact and outcomes on health, health behavior, treatment, and disease prevention in California; to evaluate collaborative processes and efforts at increasing baseline as coordination efforts advance. Monitors, analyzes, and develops reports of progress towards goals, priorities, objectives, and activities of the CDCB including the California Wellness Plan and the Prevention First program using a variety of data sources, including the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) and California Health Interview Survey (CHIS); identifies and utilizes additional internal and external data sources and social/behavioral science methodologies for evaluation and performance tracking; works with outside consultant(s) to assist with establishing measures and conducting baseline assessments for evaluation plan; develops recommendations for evaluation direction as well as analysis tools and resource

materials; assists with the development of Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Timely (SMART) objectives; utilizes the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Six-Step Evaluation Framework to develop evaluation plans; facilitates communication and interaction between internal and external partners; evaluates capacity-building efforts: participates in the Evaluation Workgroup Prepares program evaluation and progress reports for stakeholders and funders in compliance with CDC grant and contract requirements.

- 30% Supports efforts to increase evaluation capacity through external partnerships, including other state agencies, local health departments/partners, non-governmental partners, academia, and communities; identifies a broad group of partners and strives for maximum buy-in; encourages coordination and collaboration; leverages partnerships for implementation of evaluation projects.
- 20% Develops social/behavioral science resources for evaluation training and technical assistance; cultivates competency across California's public health, medical, and local communities to implement desired evaluation activities.
- 5% Maintains professional competence by continual review of evaluation and chronic disease prevention literature. Serves on workgroups, taskforces, state and national organizations that address chronic disease evaluation. Occasionally travels in state and out of state to attend CDC conferences and other chronic disease prevention conferences and trainings. Assists in the development of grant applications for the purpose of securing funding for CDPH.

Percent of Time **Marginal Functions**
 5% Performs other work related duties as required.

Employee's signature	Date
Supervisor's signature	Date