

## California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Research Scientist (RS) Job Search

### Frequently Asked Questions

How will I find out if I qualify for the RS Eligible List after I have submitted my application to CDPH Human Resources Branch (HRB)?

You will receive a letter in the mail with your identity code and password so you can access the website to find out your Rank on the RS Eligible List.

What is an adequate rank and score?

If you are in Rank 1 – 3 (above 70%) you can be offered a position once you interview.

Do I wait for a call to be interviewed or do I have to initiate the process?

You can go to the CalHR website (<http://www.calhr.ca.gov/Pages/home.aspx>), click link to Job Seekers, insert Research Scientist into 'Job Title' and press search, click link under Job Vacancies for the Classification Parenthetical and Level you qualify for and are interested in, and review Job Description, location and salary range. For notification of all future Job Vacancies in the Classification Parenthetical and Level, enter email address under 'eNotify Me' button in top right hand corner of webpage.

You should get in touch with the contact listed at the bottom of the job description that you are interested in, and send them a copy of your Application Package (what you sent in to CDPH HRB to get on the RS Eligible List). If the program is interested, they will contact you for an interview. Once you are on the RS Eligible List, letters will be sent to you notifying you of open positions, but you may miss out on jobs you are interested in. If you want a particular job, it is better to be proactive.

Do you know what the time frames are to fill the open positions?

Usually it is over 1 – 2 months, but some positions have been hard to fill, and are on the website for 3 – 4 months.

How long have they been interviewing and how many candidates have expressed interest?

It depends on each individual job – it is best to check with the contact listed for that particular job.

To search for RS Job Vacancies:

<http://www.calhr.ca.gov/Pages/home.aspx>