



**CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
HEALTH PROGRAM SPECIALIST I
OPEN EXAMINATION
CONTINUOUS TESTING**



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California State Government supports equal opportunity to all regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, ancestry, gender, marital status, disability, religious or political affiliation, age, or sexual orientation. It is an objective of the State of California to achieve a drug-free work place. Any applicant for state employment will be expected to behave in accordance with this objective because the use of illegal drugs is inconsistent with the law of the state, the rules governing civil service, and the special trust placed in public servants.

WHO SHOULD APPLY: Persons who meet the minimum qualifications (entrance requirements) as stated on this announcement may take this examination, which is competitive.

HOW TO APPLY: Applications and Training and Experience Questionnaires (page two) must be submitted to the address listed below via the U.S. Postal Service, or hand delivered to the Department of Public Health Human Resources Office (hours are 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM). Standard State Applications (STD. 678) can be found at: <http://jobs.ca.gov/pdf/std678.pdf>.

Mailing Address:

**California Department of Public Health
Selection & Certification Unit
MS 1700-1702
P.O. Box 997378
Sacramento, CA 95899-7378**

File in Person Address:

**California Department of Public Health
Selection & Certification Unit
1501 Capitol Avenue, Suite 71.1501
Sacramento, CA 95814
Telephone: (916) 552-9212**

DO NOT SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO THE STATE PERSONNEL BOARD OR THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES. ALSO, THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WILL NOT ACCEPT APPLICATIONS SENT ONLINE, VIA INTER-AGENCY MAIL OR FAX.

FINAL FILING DATE: There is no final filing date. Testing is considered continuous as dates can be set at any time. The testing office will accept applications continuously and will notify and test applicants as needs warrant.

TESTING PERIOD: A candidate may be tested only once during any testing period. The testing period for this classification is January 1 through December 31.

SALARY: \$4833 - \$6050 per month.

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:

In addition to the salary above the California Department of Public Health offers benefits in the following areas:

- Health, Dental, and Vision
- Cash Benefit Programs
- Disability Insurance
- Work, Home, and Family
- Beneficiary and Survivor Benefits
- Awards
- Retirement and Separation Benefits
- Flexible Schedules
- Public Transit Reimbursement (limits apply)

A complete description of all benefits may be viewed at <http://www.calhr.ca.gov/Pages/home.aspx>

POSITION DESCRIPTION: Incumbents at this level function as highly skilled, technical program consultants in areas of extreme sensitivity and with responsibility for coordinating the development of broad policy with multiple departmental, immediate and long-range impacts. Positions at this level are those where the level of expertise required is definably greater than that for any other supervisory position at this level and the function performed is critical to the Department's basic mission.

Positions exist with the Department of Public Health in Sacramento and Richmond.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMITTANCE TO THE EXAMINATION: It is your responsibility to make sure you meet the education and/or experience requirements stated on this announcement on the date you submit your application. Your signature on your application indicates that you have read, understood, and possess the basic qualifications required.

NOTE: Applications **must** include “to” and “from” dates (month/day/year), time base, job titles and/or civil service class title(s), and range (if applicable) for all work experience. College course Information **must** include title, number of semester or quarter units, name of institution, completion dates, and degree (if applicable). **Applications received without this information will be rejected. Please submit a copy of your official degree and unofficial transcripts as it relates to meeting the education requirements for this examination.**

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:

Either I

One year of experience in the California state service performing duties equivalent to Associate Health Program Adviser. (Applicants who have completed six months of service performing the duties as specified above will be admitted to the examination, but they must satisfactorily complete one year of this experience before they can be eligible for appointment.)

Or II

EXPERIENCE: Three years of progressively responsible experience in health program administration, at least one year of which shall have been with major responsibility for a significant program such as is normally found in a complex or departmentalized medical care delivery setting or health institution or organization. (Possession of a Doctoral Degree in Public Health, Health Administration, Health Planning, Public Administration, or a closely related health professional field may be substituted for up to one year of the required general experience.)

AND

EDUCATION: Possession of a Master's Degree in Public Health, Health Administration, Hospital Administration, Comprehensive Health Planning, Public Administration, or a closely related health professional field. (One year of additional specialized qualifying experience may be substituted for the required master's degree.)

GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must possess essential personal qualifications including integrity, initiative, dependability, good judgment, ability to work cooperatively with others, and a state of health consistent with the ability to perform the assigned duties of the class.

EXAMINATION INFORMATION: The examination consists of Training and Experience Questionnaire weighted 100%. The Training and Experience Questionnaire has been designed to elicit specific information regarding each candidate's education and experience relative to the testing classification. Responses to the questionnaire will be assessed based on pre-determined rating criteria. In appraising the relative qualifications of candidates, consideration will be given to the extent and type of pertinent experience and education over and above what is minimally required.

All applicants must complete and return the entire Training and Experience examination packet. The examination packet may be obtained by following this link: [Training and Experience Packet](#)

The Department of Public Health reserves the right to revise the examination plan to better meet the needs of the service if the circumstances under which this examination was planned change. Such revision will be in accordance with civil service law and rules and all competitors will be notified.

SCOPE: In addition to evaluating the candidate's relative abilities as demonstrated by quality and breadth of experience, emphasis will be placed on measuring, relative to job demands, each competitor's:

Knowledge of:

1. Public health, mental health and health care services programs and trends.
2. Problems and procedures involved in establishing community relationships and assessing community health program needs and resources.
3. Preparation and planning for coordinated programs with local and Federal agencies, private agencies and health care providers.
4. Principles and methods of public administration including organization, personnel and fiscal management.
5. Methods of preparing reports.
6. Research and survey methods.
7. Methods of principles of medical care administration, disease and disability prevention, health promotion and medical rehabilitation.
8. Procedures, planning, implementation and monitoring of programs.
9. Design and plan for coordination of programs with Federal and local agencies
10. Legislative processes.

Ability to:

1. Assist in development of public health and health care projects.
2. Apply health regulations, policies and procedures.
3. Participate in monitoring and evaluating health programs and projects.
4. Gather, analyze and organize data related to health programs.
5. Analyze administrative problems and recommend effective action.
6. Speak and write effectively.
7. Act as program liaison with staff in other programs at the Federal, State, and local level.
8. Assist in planning, conducting and evaluating of field projects.
9. Recommend and take actions on a variety of health programs, project activities, staffing and budgetary processes.
10. Analyze proposed legislation, regulations and health program standards.
11. Provide consultation and technical assistance to local agencies.
12. Serve on task forces and committees as a program representative.

SPECIAL PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS: Willingness to travel throughout the state; perseverance, tact, keenness of observation, and neat personal appearance.

ELIGIBLE LIST INFORMATION: Possession of the entrance requirement does not assure a place on the eligible list. In order to obtain a position on the eligible list, a minimum rating of 70% must be attained. All successful candidates will be ranked according to their final scores. Names of successful competitors are merged into the open list established for use by the Department of Public Health in order of final scores regardless of testing date. Eligibility expires **18** months after it is established unless the needs of the service and conditions of the list warrant a change in this period

Eligible lists established by competitive examination, regardless of date, must be used in the following order: 1) sub-divisional promotional, 2) departmental promotional, 3) multi-departmental promotional, 4) service-wide promotional, 5) departmental open, and 6) open. When there are two lists of the same kind, the older must be used first.

VETERANS PREFERENCE: Effective January 1, 2014, Veterans' Preference will be awarded to qualifying Veterans who are successful in the examination in the form of Rank placement rather than points. All individuals awarded Veterans' Preference will be certified in Rank 1 of the eligibility list, regardless of score. All Open Exams/Eligible lists will award Veterans' Preference, regardless of the classification.

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MCI from TDD: 1-800-735-2929 MCI from voice telephone: 1-800-735-2922

Sprint from TDD: 1-888-877-5378 Sprint from voice telephone: 1-888-877-5379