

ON BOARD



February 1, 2023

News and Views from the New Jersey Local Boards of Health Association

Saturday, February 18, 2023

NJLBHA Board Meeting

10:00 AM EST

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All 2023 NJLBHA Dues invoices have been sent out as of 1/31/23. Your yearly dues are much appreciated and help to run our organization.

2023 Letter and invoice can be downloaded [here](#).

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**Introducing the
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CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

[CDC.gov/COVID-19](https://www.cdc.gov/COVID-19)

January 9, 2023

This message includes updates on the [COVID-19](https://www.cdc.gov/COVID-19) response from CDC. The COVID-19 Outbreak is a rapidly evolving situation and information will be updated as it becomes available.



Two Years of COVID-19 Vaccination

December 2022 marked two years since the first COVID-19 vaccine was administered in the U.S. Although too many lives have been lost to COVID-19 since the start of the pandemic, vaccination has helped prevent millions of hospitalizations and saved millions of lives.

Stay up to date on your vaccines to protect yourselves, your loved ones, and your community against COVID-19. As with other vaccine-preventable diseases, you are protected best from COVID-19 when you stay up to date with the recommended vaccinations, including recommended boosters.

Get an updated bivalent booster at least 2 months after completing your primary series or last booster. If you've had COVID-19, you may delay getting your booster by 3 months since your symptoms ended.

Job Announcements

HEALTH EDUCATOR POSITION

The Middle-Brook Regional Health Commission, a local health agency, is seeking an experienced individual or agency to provide health promotion services to a diverse community. Please see [attached](#) Job Description for more information.

Interested Parties should submit level of interest, resume, and qualifications to:

Kevin G. Sumner, Health Officer/Director
Middle-Brook Regional Health Commission
111 Greenbrook Road
Green Brook, NJ 08812
ksumner@middlebrookhealth.org

HEALTH EDUCATOR – FREEHOLD AREA HEALTH DEPARTMENT

The Township of Freehold is looking to hire a full-time health educator. Applicants who are bilingual in Spanish and English are preferred.

Job description: Under direction, assesses individual and community health needs; plans, implements and evaluates effective health education programs; coordinates health education services; communicates health education needs, concerns and resources. Activities include but are not limited to:

- Identifies community health needs, interests, and practices.
- Develops health education programs to address various community health needs.
- Identifies target populations and assess health education needs based on information from public health entities, community health organizations, and other relevant health

related data.

- Involves local community leaders and collaborates with other agencies in the planning, implementation, and maintenance of health education services and programs.
- Provides guidance to the health officer to plan, organize, and develop a health education program for the community.
- Coordinates and monitors all activities of the Municipal Alliance to Prevent Substance Abuse.

Pay: \$55,000-\$65,000

Work location: 1 Municipal Plaza, Freehold, NJ 07728 and locally in the field as needed.

Education: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Bachelor's degree in Health Education, Public Health, Community Health Education, Nursing or a related Health Education field.

Experience: 1 (one) year of experience assessing community health education needs and, in the planning, implementation, and evaluation of health education in a local health department or state or local health agency.

License: Certification as a Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES) issued by the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing, Inc. preferred but not required.

Interested applicants can send their resume to Margaret Jahn (MJahn@twp.freehold.nj.us) and Brett Nance (BNance@twp.freehold.nj.us).



NJACCHO Employment Opportunity

Health Officer opening - Monmouth County Regional Health Commission located in Tinton Falls, NJ

[More details](#)

Position for Inaugural Dean Montclair State University

[click on above title for details](#)

Rutgers has received grant funding to provide those working in organizations delivering public health services to receive a 50% tuition scholarship during the 3-year grant period.

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**For MPH Degree
(any concentration)
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 - New Jersey residents
- AND-**
- Currently working in public health -or- from an underrepresented group



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This Public Health Scholarship Program is supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services -- Grant No. T52 HP46773.



Release of FY24 Request for Application (Autism)

The New Jersey Governor's Council for Medical Research and Treatment of Autism (Council) is pleased to announce that the Request for Application (RFA) is now open for FY24.

The purpose of this grant opportunity is to support research capable of advancing the mission of the Council and to offer funding for initiatives that address important problems relevant to autism:

- Two-year Predoctoral Research Fellowships
- Three-year Postdoctoral Research Fellowships
- Two-year (maximum) Basic Science Pilot Research Grants
- Three-year (maximum) Clinical Pilot Research Grants, and
- One-year Autism Concept Projects, and
- Five-year New Jersey Autism Center of Excellence*

* RFA to be released before January 1, 2023

For more information about the opportunities, as well as eligibility requirements, please see the posted RFAs on the Council's website at

<https://www.state.nj.us/health/autism/grant/>.

Letters of Intent are required and the **templated form** should be submitted by email in PDF format

to NJGCA@doh.nj.gov (subject line: [Applicant last name] FY24 RFA Letter of Intent) **no later than February 9, 2023**. The Council will acknowledge receipt of the application within two business days. Applicants will be informed whether to submit a full application by Mid-February 2023.

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BOLD SOLUTIONS FOR HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES.

New from APHA Press and the de Beaumont Foundation, *Strategic Skills for Public Health Practice: Community Engagement* explores how leaders in public health and other fields can meaningfully collaborate with community members to drive better health and well-being.

The first title to be published in a new series called "Strategic Skills for Public Health Practice," *Community Engagement* offers first-person stories, real-world examples, and valuable insights from community leaders and public health practitioners. Readers will develop a better understanding of community-centered design and strengthen their ability to support organizational practices that improve health for all.



Mask Guidance and the “Tripledemic”

COVID-19, the flu, and RSV are surging in many parts of the country in what health experts and news media are calling a “triple-demic” of respiratory illnesses. With cases and

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hospitalizations on the rise, some public health authorities are revisiting indoor mask guidance.

The CDC continues to recommend that people wear masks indoors in areas with a high COVID-19 Community Level. But regardless of Community Level, anyone can wear a mask as an additional precaution to protect themselves and their families from respiratory infections during the holiday season. Use our new **Answers to Tough Questions** on the "triple-demic", **Talking Points and Answers to Tough Questions** on overall mask guidance and the CDC Community Level, and our **"What Mask Should I Wear?"** graphic to promote use of the most effective kinds of masks this winter.

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