

Director, Environmental Health (Halifax)

Competition #: 165897-CB

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Leading the way into building a public health system that will meet the needs of Nova Scotians--This is public health in Nova Scotia today.

Are you someone who is passionate about public health and the opportunity to really make a difference? Do you get excited about having the opportunity to build and shape a new public health system for Nova Scotia? Do you thrive on building relationships within a community, working together to provide only the best public health and population health initiatives? If you answer yes to these questions, then we would like to invite you to read further...

After a comprehensive, external review of its public health system, the Province of Nova Scotia is now acting on the findings and recommendations of the report. As the Director of Environmental Health, you will join an interdisciplinary team that will lead the renewal of the public health system to promote and protect the health of all Nova Scotians.

As Director of Environmental Health you will lead the new vision and the Public Health system's activities as they pertain to environmental health across Nova Scotia.

Working with key stakeholders at the local, provincial and national levels, the Director will focus on strategies and programs to protect health, reduce risk and enhance and promote safe and healthy environments. In collaboration with the Department of Environment, and the Department of Agriculture, the Director provides leadership to the three Departments' shared Environmental Secretariat which is housed in Health Promotion and Protection.

If you are able to picture what is possible in public health and are someone with public health training, strong communication, relationship building and leadership skills and are passionate about promoting our shared vision of public health in Nova Scotia, we want to hear from you!

If you are this leader you will bring to the role:

- Certificate in Public Health Inspection (Canada) [C.P.H.I.(C)];
- A Master's Degree in public health, health promotion or a related field; equivalencies will be considered;
- Extensive experience in the broad area of environmental health and progressively responsible management experience including experience leading teams;
- Previous experience working successfully with multiple stakeholder and/or community groups; highly developed communication skills both verbal and written;
- Demonstrated achievement of public health core competencies;
- Strong understanding and experience in developing public policy;
- Research experience will be considered an asset.

For more information as to this exciting opportunity, please contact: Dr. Robert Strang Chief Public Health Officer at 902-424-5733 or email Robert.Strang@gov.ns.ca.

You can also view "The Renewal of Public Health in Nova Scotia: Building a Public Health System to Meet the Needs of Nova Scotians" at the following link:

www.gov.ns.ca/hpp/publichealth/content/renewal_public_health.htm

Salary Range: \$74,411 - \$96,734 (Plus full benefits package.)

Closing Date: November 12, 2008

More information on the above position is available on the Internet at www.gov.ns.ca/psc or from the Employment Opportunities Bulletin at Access Nova Scotia Centres or Human Resource Centres of Canada.

To apply, applicants must submit a resume and cover letter or completed application form, quoting the competition number. Applications can be submitted in one of four ways:

- 1) *In person* - At access Nova Scotia Centres or the Department of Health, Human Resources Division, 1690 Hollis Street, Halifax
- 2) *Mail* - Department of Health, Human Resources Division, P.O. Box 488, Halifax, NS, B3J 2R8
- 3) *Fax* - (902) 424-5667
- 4) *E-mail* - HEALTHhr@gov.ns.ca

We thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Nova Scotia is committed to creating an environment where differences are valued and respected and we are representative, at all levels, of the people we serve. We encourage applications from Aboriginal persons, African Canadians and other racially visible persons, persons with disabilities and women.