DIRECTOR, TUBERCULOSIS AND COMMUNICABLE DISEASE PROGRAMS

<u>DISTINGUISHING FEATURES OF THE CLASS:</u> This is professional medical work in the field of public health involving the development, implementation and coordination of a comprehensive program for the treatment and prevention of tuberculosis and other infectious diseases affecting public health. The work is performed under the direction of the Commissioner of Health and supervision is provided to professional and technical staff. Does related work as required.

TYPICAL WORK ACTIVITIES:

Develops and implements a comprehensive community-wide tuberculosis and infectious disease prevention program;

Oversees and participates in the provision of direct medical care to individual patients either diagnosed with or at risk for infectious disease, including physical examinations, laboratory testing, diagnoses and treatment;

Develops medical treatment and/or preventive plans for patients based on careful review of medical history and physical examination;

Completes charting on all patients in accordance with public health guidelines;

Reviews and assures proper maintenance of case records;

Provides professional medical advice and in-service training to staff involved in communicable disease control activities;

Attends conferences, meetings and continuing education courses in the field of communicable disease.

FULL PERFORMANCE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, ABILITIES AND PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS:

Thorough knowledge of medical principles and practices, especially in the field of tuberculosis and other communicable diseases; thorough knowledge of the provisions of the New York Sanitary Code and the regulations of New York State and the Rockland County Health Department relating to the control of infectious diseases; good knowledge of public health care delivery systems; good knowledge of New York State rules, regulations and guidelines relative to the provision of patient services and the maintenance of records on communicable disease; ability to communicate effectively, both orally and in writing; ability to develop and implement a community wide disease prevention program; ability to oversee the activities of staff performing activities in the area of communicable disease; ability to work effectively with public officials, professional organizations and private groups with respect to communicable disease issues.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS: A license to practice medicine issued by the State of New York and three (3) years of experience as a Physician in a public health agency.

SPECIAL REQUIREMENT: License to practice medicine issued by the State of New York and Board Certification in Infectious Diseases must be maintained throughout the course of employment in this title.

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