

NORTH-EAST REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

CONTACT INVESTIGATOR (HPC/SDI 1)

The **North East Regional Health Authority**, a statutory body under the Ministry of Health & Wellness, with responsibility for the management and delivery of Public Health Services within the parishes of St. Ann, St. Mary, and Portland invites applications from suitably qualified persons to fill the position of **Contact Investigator (HPC/SDI 1)** assigned to the **St. Ann Health Department**.

Summary

Reporting to the Senior Contact Investigator and the Medical Officer (Health), the Contact Investigator is responsible for programme planning, implementing and evaluating STI/HIV/AIDS programmes in the parish.

Key Responsibilities will include (but not limited to):

- Verifying notifications of STIs submitted from clinic, health department or surveillance office at the central level.
- Interviewing referred infected persons to obtain general and medical information about their sexual contacts.
- Locating and motivating suspect cases and contacts, to report quickly to the physicians or clinics, for medical examination to determine the presence of infection and obtain treatment where necessary
- Conducting STI clinic sessions to interview, counsel and ensure that clients and their contacts are appropriately treated according to the national STI management protocols.
- Conducting pre and post test counselling for HIV testing
- Providing related health education and counselling for clients, contacts and their relatives
- Participating in surveillance of HIV and STIs
- Assisting in organizing and conducting outreach programmes and targeted interventions for high-risk groups such as Adolescents, Commercial Sex Workers and Men who have Sex with Men
- Conducting STI Health Education in schools, community groups, work places and Non-Governmental Organizations
- Fostering and maintaining professional relationships with private physicians and other health and welfare agencies in communities
- Contributing to the formulation of HIV/STI/TB work plans and budgets
- Preparing and submitting monthly reports
- Providing technical support to the Behaviour Change Communication team and Laboratory Technical Assistants
- Conducting Surveillance of known cases of HIV/AIDS/STI/TB and their contacts and investigating delinquents
- Preparing and maintaining case notes, submitting reports on investigations and sensitive areas of epidemiological investigations within stated timelines.
- Participating in the identification of high risk groups and areas for possible interventions
- Facilitating the practical and field component of Contact Investigators training
- Performing local data collection for analysis and evaluation
- Performing any other related duties as assigned by the Supervisory Contact Investigator and/or Medical Officer of Health

Qualification & Experience:

- Health professional with a degree in Registered Nurse/Registered Midwife/Medical Technologist/Public Health Inspector/Dental Nurse.
- At least three (3) years' experience and satisfactory performance is required.
- Successful completion of a one year course in Contact Investigation.

REMUNERATION PACKAGE PER ANNUM:

Salary Scale: \$1,453,516 – \$1,727,774 per annum along with any other allowance(s) attached to the post.

Applications along with detailed resume should be sent no later than **Thursday, 2022 June 30** to:

**The Director,
Human Resource Management & Industrial Relations
North East Regional Health Authority
34-38 Ocean Village Shopping Centre
Ocho Rios, St. Ann**

E-mail: jobs@nerha.gov.jm or Fax: (876) 795–2747

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APPLICANTS WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED**