

Southern Regional Health Authority

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The Southern Regional Health Authority (SRHA), a Statutory Body under the Ministry of Health & Wellness responsible for the management and operation of Public Health Services within the Parishes of Clarendon, Manchester and St. Elizabeth, invites applications from suitably qualified persons for the following position at the **Mandeville Regional Hospital**:

Public Health Surveillance Nurse (HPC/RN 4) - 1 Vacant Position

(salary range \$5,863,044 - \$6,969,317 per annum plus any allowance (s) attached to the post)

Reporting to the Director of Nursing Services, the successful candidate will serve as liaison officer, facilitating the day-to-day primary and secondary care interaction within the hospital.

Qualifications and Experience:

- Certificate/Diploma/B.Sc. in General Nursing and Certificate in Midwifery from accredited schools of Nursing and Midwifery.
- BSc. in Public Health Nursing
- Minimum seven (7) years of clinical practice to proficiency level as Registered Nurse and Registered Midwife incorporating acting responsibility.
- Three (3) years' experience as a Public Health Nurse

Plus

- Registration with the Nursing Council of Jamaica in General Nursing and Midwifery

Specific Knowledge, Skills and Competencies:

- Excellent Knowledge of Current trends in Public Health Nursing
- Sound knowledge of the Primary Health Care Reform
- Sound Knowledge of the Nursing, health and related legislation
- Excellent knowledge of Research Methodology, Pharmacology, Therapeutics and Reproductive Health
- Working knowledge of the Staff Orders and the Human Resource Policies and Procedures
- Excellent leadership skills
- Strong interpersonal and communication skills
- Good time management skills
- Excellent investigative methods and analytical skills.
- Good problem solving and decision-making skills.
- Excellent planning and organizing skills.
- Good team building skills

Key Responsibilities will include:

SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES

- Conducts review of Health Records for patients with infectious diseases and initiate public health actions.
- Conducts hospital active surveillance procedures inclusive of laboratory surveillance.
- Initiates investigations for critical notifiable conditions and events within the prescribed time.
- Sensitizes staff regarding appropriate sampling.
- Coordinates timely transportation of samples to the appropriate laboratory.
- Collects, analyses and disseminates data to enhance timely investigation of Class 1 Diseases.
- Oversees/supervises the management/ control of Diarrheal disease programmes in Accident and Emergency/Casualty Departments and isolation/ infectious units.
- Coordinates the timely collection of samples for routine surveillance and during outbreaks.
- Analyzes data to assess trends in surveyed health conditions to facilitate early detection of outbreaks and identify affected geographical locations.

- Maintenance of Tuberculosis and other registers when applicable. Collect TB discharge notifications.
- Tracking of samples as per public health policy
- Timely dissemination of relevant information to public health practitioners to enhance timely investigations
- Conducts monthly visits to hotels with 100 and more rooms to assess the practice standards of hotel nurses in keeping with the Public Health Act.
- Audits relevant registers at the Nurse's Station in hotels to identify trends of health conditions among staff and guest.
- Validates disease outbreaks in hotels and inform appropriate public health personnel for appropriate and timely investigation of outbreaks.
- Collaborates with secondary care, Head of Departments for the immunization of staff, adults and children.
- Collaborates with the relevant health care personnel for home interventions for special/ high risk cases such as Lead Poisoning, childhood malnutrition, prematurity, parasuicide, accidental poisoning and rheumatic fever.
- Home assessment for cases for Multi-Drug Resistant Organisms such as MRSA and referral of those cases.

Clinical

- Provides infection prevention/control advice, support and information to all healthcare personnel, patients and visitors to minimize the spread of infection.
- Administers BCG and other vaccinations to babies, children, adults and staff as required.
- Serves as liaison for the coordination of post-natal and domiciliary services.
- Participates in the investigation of outbreaks of diseases in keeping with public health procedures.
- Investigates complaints and adverse incidents which have implications for cross infection and institutes the necessary changes for service improvement.

Education

- Facilitates and strengthens Health Promotion/education activities within institutions for staff and patients.
- Demonstrates correct sampling technique to detect diseases of public health significance
- Conducts workshops, seminars, lectures that explicate the impact of communicable/ infectious diseases on the health of the nation.
- Liaises with Infection Control team members and develops research topics.
- Implements research programmes, analyze and present findings.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS ASSOCIATED WITH THE JOB:

- Required to work beyond normal working hours.
- Required to meet critical deadlines.
- Exposure to confidential and sensitive information

Applications along with resume should be sent no later than **Tuesday February 20, 2026** to:

Senior Human Resource Officer
 Mandeville Regional Hospital
 32 Hargreaves Avenue
 Mandeville P.O., Manchester
 FAX (876) 625-8493
 E-Mail - jobsmrh@gmail.com

****IMPORTANT NOTE: WE WILL ONLY ACCEPT APPLICATIONS BY EMAIL****

PLEASE INDICATE IN THE 'SUBJECT LINE' OF YOUR EMAIL THE NAME OF THE POSITION FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING**

NB. ONLY SHORTLISTED APPLICANTS WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED.