

ALLEGANY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF  
**HUMAN RESOURCES/CIVIL SERVICE**

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**A NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE OF \$15.00  
MUST ACCOMPANY YOUR APPLICATION FOR EACH EXAMINATION**

**EXAMINATION TITLE:** Public Health Educator

**NUMBER:** 68509

**OPEN COMPETITIVE**

**SALARY:** \$21.34 ~ \$26.80/hr. range

**EXAMINATION DATE:** April 29, 2017 \*

Applications must be received in this office by **4:00 PM** March 17, 2017 or be postmarked with that date.

\*Please contact this office if you do not receive your admission notice within three days of the examination date.

**Vacancies:** The eligible list resulting from this exam will be used to fill vacancies and all future vacancies as they occur in the Allegany County Health Department.

Candidates must have been legal residents of Allegany County and adjoining counties (Wyoming, Livingston, Steuben, Cattaraugus, McKean, and Potter Counties) for at least one month immediately preceding the date of the written examination. Preference may be given to residents of Allegany County or a political subdivision of Allegany County.

An official application form must be filed for each examination. You are responsible for completing all sections of the application. Exam number and title must be recorded on the application. **INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS MAY BE DISAPPROVED.** For further information/application forms, contact the Allegany County Civil Service Department, 7 Court Street, County Office Building, Belmont, NY 14813-1081 – Phone 585/268-9212.

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**ATTENTION CROSS-FILERS:**

**ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENT:**

-If you have applied for **both State and Local** government examinations, you must take your examinations at the State examination center. You are required to notify the Allegany County Civil Service Office no later than **two weeks before** the test date by submitting a Cross Filing Form. You will be advised by letter when and where to report for your examinations.

-If you have applied for **other Local** government exams, you may select which location to appear for the exams. You are required to notify the Allegany County Civil Service Office no later than **two weeks before** the test date by submitting a Cross Filing Form. You must also notify all local government civil service agencies with whom you have filed an application of the test site at which you wish to take your exams.

The Cross Filing Form may be found on our website at: <http://www.alleganyco.com>, click on Human Resources/Civil Service at the website.

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**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

- (a) a baccalaureate degree in health education, health science, public health, health promotion, community health, or health communications from a regionally accredited or New York State-registered college or university; or
- (b) a baccalaureate degree in education, nursing, epidemiology, wellness and fitness, or nutrition from a regionally accredited or New York State-registered college or university and one year experience in health education; or
- (c) a baccalaureate degree in marketing, human services, social work or psychology from a regionally accredited or New York State-registered college or university and two years experience in health education; or
- (d) a master's degree in public health or health education from a regionally accredited or New York State-registered college or university.

A local public health educator must satisfactorily complete 15 hours of continuing education in health education related topics approved by the New York State Health Department within one year of appointment.

**SPECIAL REQUIREMENT:** Possession of a valid driver's license appropriate to the vehicles operated.

**APPLICATION FEE:** In accordance with Civil Service Law Section 50, this Civil Service Department will be collecting a fee of \$15.00 from examination applicants for each separate examination for which they apply. The **\$15.00** fee applies to this examination. The required \$15.00 fee must accompany your application and must be in the form of either a money order payable to the Allegany County Treasurer or cash (**exact amount only please, we cannot make change**). **PERSONAL CHECKS ARE NOT ACCEPTED.** As **no refund** will be made, you are urged to compare your qualifications carefully with the specified minimum qualifications and file for the exam only if you are clearly qualified.

**APPLICATION FEE WAIVER:** A waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are unemployed and primarily responsible for the support of a household. In addition, a waiver of application fee will be allowed if you are determined eligible for Medicaid, or receiving Supplemental Security Income payments, or Public Assistance (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families/Family Assistance or Safety Net Assistance) or are certified Job Training Partnership Act/Workforce Investment Act eligible through a State or local social service agency. **ALL CLAIMS FOR APPLICATION FEE WAIVER ARE SUBJECT TO VERIFICATION.** **If you can verify eligibility for application fee waiver,** complete a "Request for Application Fee Waiver and Certification" form and submit it with your application by the close of business on the application deadline as listed at the beginning of this announcement. Contact the Allegany County Civil Service Department, 7 Court Street, Belmont, NY 14813, Phone: 585/268-9212 for the Application Fee Waiver and Certification form.

**DUTIES:**

The work involves applying the principles of the behavioral sciences in public health programs to foster the voluntary adoption of behavior to improve or maintain health. The work is performed under the general supervision of a County Health Officer. A Public Health Educator does related work as required

**SUBJECT OF EXAMINATION:**

**1. Behavioral science concepts related to public health education**

A test of basic concepts of sociology and psychology related to the accomplishment of change in the behavior of individuals and groups.

The subtest will deal with, but not necessarily be confined to:

The characteristics of specific groups and how these variables relate to behavior.

The psychological and sociological factors affecting behavior and behavior change: the psychology of learning and related instructional practices; the psychology of motivation; and the dynamics of small groups and group process.

**2. Educating and interacting with the public**

These questions test for knowledge of techniques used to interact effectively with individuals and/or community groups, to educate or inform them about topics of concern, to publicize or clarify agency programs or policies, to negotiate conflicts or resolve complaints, and to represent one's agency or program in a manner in keeping with good public relations practices. Questions may also cover interacting with others in cooperative efforts of public outreach or service.

**3. Planning, implementing, and evaluating health education programs**

A test of knowledge of facts, trends, principles, and theories in the area.

The subtest will deal with, but not necessarily be confined to: the planning process; program planning; identifying program objectives; identifying target groups; analyzing target groups; determining knowledges, skills, and aptitudes to be developed in target groups; designing and organizing the specific learning; implementing experiences; staffing; program evaluation; and the evaluation of appropriate materials.

**4. Preparing written material**

These questions test for the ability to present information clearly and accurately, and to organize paragraphs logically and comprehensibly. For some questions, you will be given information in two or three sentences followed by four restatements of the information. You must then choose the best version. For other questions, you will be given paragraphs with their sentences out of order. You must then choose, from four suggestions, the best order for the sentences.

**5. Principles of educating and training**

These questions test for the knowledge and abilities used to provide instruction to individuals and groups in settings typically outside the workplace. Instruction of this sort may be given to members of the public or groups with a specialized interest or concern. The questions address issues such as determining what is to be taught; developing and evaluating instructional plans; developing, using, and evaluating training methods and materials; motivation; learning; interacting with learners; and evaluating the success of instruction.

The New York State Department of Civil Service has not prepared a test guide for this examination. However, candidates may find information in the publication "How to take a written test" helpful in preparing for this test. This publication is available on line at: [www.cs.ny.gov/testing/localtestguides.cfm](http://www.cs.ny.gov/testing/localtestguides.cfm)

**Religious Observers – Disabled Persons:** If special arrangements for testing are required, please indicate this on your application form.

**VETERANS OR DISABLED VETERANS** desiring to claim additional credit may make application for such additional credit on their application for examination or at any time between the date of the application and the date of the establishment of the resulting eligible list. Veterans credit is added only to the score of the exam when the passing grade of 70 or higher is attained by the candidate.

**ADDITIONAL EXAMINATION CREDIT TO CHILDREN OF FIREFIGHTERS AND POLICE OFFICERS KILLED IN THE LINE OF DUTY** - In conformance with section 85-a of the Civil Service Law, children of firefighters and police officers killed in the line of duty shall be entitled to receive an additional ten points in a competitive examination for original appointment in the same municipality in which his or her parent has served. If you are qualified to participate in this examination and are a child of a firefighter or police officer killed in the line of duty in this municipality, please inform this office of this matter when you submit your application for examination. A candidate claiming such credit has a minimum of two months from the application deadline to provide the necessary documentation to verify additional credit eligibility. However, no credit may be added after the eligible list has been established.

**CALCULATORS are ALLOWED** – you can use quiet, hand-held, solar or battery powered calculators.

Devices with typewriter keyboards, 'Spell-Checkers,' 'Personal Digital Assistants,' 'Address Books,' 'Language Translators,' 'Dictionaries,' and any similar devices are prohibited.

This written exam is being prepared and rated by the NYS Dept. of Civil Service in accordance with Section 23-2 of the Civil Service Law. The provisions of the NYS Civil Service Rules and Regulations dealing with the rating of exams will apply to this examination.

**ISSUED:** 2/14/17

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