ST. MAARTEN
Ministry of Public Health, Social Development and Labor

Collective Prevention Services (CPS) is a department within the Ministry of Public Health, Social Development and Labor responsible for infectious disease surveillance, health promotion, vector control, youth health care and health promotion.

The department is currently recruiting for an epidemiologist to join this dynamic team of public health professionals.

**Epidemiologist**

**Major Responsibilities:**

Reporting to the Department Head of Collective Prevention Services (CPS), the Epidemiologist provides epidemiological expertise and support to the department including Sections General Health Care and Youth Care. In this role, the epidemiologist will provide advice and support related to the collection, analysis, interpretation and reporting of surveillance data, which is used for assessing community health status and communicable disease control and prevention.

- Initiates, plans, designs, organizes, implements and evaluates epidemiological research on health status factors that affect the health of the population of Sint Maarten
- Develops and analyzes epidemiological and other related indicators and research strategies.
- Performs epidemiological analysis, interprets data, and summarizes relevant findings in reports for internal and external stakeholders. Uses appropriate computer applications and presents results in an understandable format.
- Facilitates the use of epidemiological evidence by providing and integrating community health status information in program and service planning, monitoring and evaluation.
- Identifies emerging issues and trends related to communicable disease and community health status and proposes appropriate response.
- Liaises with regional and international health agencies to provide access to current communicable disease data, and for collaborative epidemiological research.
- Responds to requests for communicable disease and community health status information from Ministry staff (Minister's cabinet), the public, external agencies, community organizations, and the media as directed.
- Identifies new opportunities, technologies, and methods for communicable disease surveillance, including reporting, data analysis and dissemination mechanisms.

The candidate must have the following **qualities and qualifications:**

- Master's degree in Epidemiology, or a related discipline, or the approved equivalent combination of education and related experience.
- Considerable experience working as an epidemiologist in a public health agency or related organization.
- Experience in applied communicable disease epidemiology, including the management and analysis of infectious disease data and providing support for outbreak investigations.
- Considerable experience using statistical analysis software and other software packages currently used to collect, manage and analyze epidemiological data.
- Knowledge of health policy; including developing and advising.

**Kindly submit your Cover Letter and Resume to:**

Collective Prevention Services
Ministry of Public Health, Social Development and Labor (VSA)
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Deadline to submit application is January 31st, 2022