

Chief Medical Officer

Who we are and how we impact Tennessee:

TDH incorporates our values into the work we do each day to achieve our mission, live our vision, and address the four leading causes of death in Tennessee.

Mission:

Protect, promote and improve the health and prosperity of people in Tennessee.

Vision:

Healthy people, healthy communities, healthy Tennessee

Our Values:

- Integrity
- Excellence
- Collaboration
- Compassion
- Respect

Tennessee Big Four: Leading Causes of Death in TN

1. Tobacco Use
2. Obesity
3. Physical Inactivity
4. Substance Abuse

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Job Overview:

The Chief Medical Officer is an Executive Service position located in Nashville, TN. This position reports directly to the State Commissioner of Health.

Responsibilities involve oversight of TDH programs including:

- Division of Communicable and Environmental Disease Services and Emergency Preparedness
- Division of Laboratory Services
- Community Health Services (CHS)

CHS is a large division responsible for a variety of activities and programs in regional and county health departments statewide. These statewide activities consist of over 2000 staff who provide direct primary care in 56 health department sites, a variety of dental, family planning, WIC, and other services, and implement all other TDH activities at the local and regional levels.

Additional activities will include oversight of the Office of Clinical Quality Improvement, collaboration with Information Technology Services in implementation of electronic clinical software systems, working with substance misuse/overdose response programs, and supporting the Office of Informatics and Analytics.

This person will be a primary representative of TDH in providing medical expertise to the state legislature and executive administration. The CMO will be involved frequently in public messaging, working closely with other local, state, and federal agencies, and stakeholders (e.g. TN Medicaid administration and Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services). The CMO frequently represents TDH in state, and national forums.

Preferred Skills:

- Proven ability to direct complex public health programs and activities involving multiple partners and stakeholders
- Experience supervising a large multi-disciplinary team, including management of large budgets
- Substantial experience working in the governmental public health field at a management level, including extensive knowledge of laws and regulations governing public health
- Experience with organizational change management
- Skill in oral and written communication, including working with the media, community groups, and professional organizations
- Skill in working with legislators, the Governor's Office, and other State leaders to provide information and develop policy related to the public's health
- Impeccable personal and professional ethics and integrity

Requirement:

- TN medical licensure within 6 months of hire and throughout duration of employment
- Extensive experience in public health and management
- Extensive knowledge of public health systems, programs and practices
- Three (3) years of experience in public health, medical or health administration in a large institution or organization

To apply:

Interested candidates should send a Cover Letter and CV to:

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