

New York State Department of Civil Service
DIVISION OF CLASSIFICATION & COMPENSATION

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Research Physician 1, Grade 35	6104100
Research Physician 2, Grade 38	6104200
Research Physician 3, Grade 38	6104300

Brief Description Of Class Series

Positions in this title series perform scientific research at the Department of Health's (DOH) Wadsworth Center. Incumbents conduct research studies, direct programs and laboratories requiring oversight of a physician, and provide consultative services to non-medical research staff.

Distinguishing Characteristics

Research Physicians report to high-level research staff at the Wadsworth Center, such as a Research Scientist 7 or 8, and are classified in various specialty areas such as genetics, immunology, and toxicology. Levels are distinguished by the following factors:

Research Physician 1: non-competitive; performs research, and may direct a small team of research staff, and/or a small laboratory program; may supervise Research Scientists and other laboratory staff.

Research Physician 2: non-competitive; performs research, and directs multiple research teams, and/or a medium sized laboratory program; supervises Research Scientists and other laboratory staff.

Research Physician 3: non-competitive; performs research, and directs large research and/or laboratory programs; supervises Research Scientists and other laboratory staff.

Laboratory program size is based on an evaluation of the number and level of research staff, impact of research activities on the public, and budget and/or grant size.

Related Classes

Research Scientists perform research involving the formulation, conduct, analysis, interpretation, and reporting of scientific investigations of phenomena or problems with applications in specialized subject matter fields in the medical, biological and behavioral sciences. Work typically results in publishable contributions to the scientific field under study.

Illustrative Duties

Research Physicians at all levels perform similar duties.

Directs research and/or laboratory operations requiring oversight of a physician, including laboratory testing programs, such as the Newborn Screening Program.

Drafts and submits scientific findings for publication to peer-reviewed journals, and makes presentations at scientific gatherings.

Develops and submits research proposals and grant applications to sponsor organizations.

Reviews and analyzes clinical data sets to ensure that data are appropriately correlated and evaluated.

Develops medical tests and consultative services to aid in the diagnosis, prevention, and treatment of various diseases.

Develops guidance documents for the medical community that includes clinical information and literature references.

Functions as a medical expert for internal and external staff, relative to assigned program or laboratory area; provides research-informed medical opinions on public health policy proposals.

Supervises Research Scientists and other staff in the performance of research and laboratory functions.

Minimum Qualifications

Research Physician 1

Non-Competitive: possession of a license and current registration to practice medicine in New York State, and one year of laboratory research experience in an identifiable specialty area.

Research Physician 2

Non-Competitive: possession of a license and current registration to practice medicine in New York State, and two years of laboratory research experience in an identifiable specialty area.

Research Physician 3

Non-Competitive: possession of a license and current registration to practice medicine in New York State, and three years of laboratory research experience in an identifiable specialty area.

Note: Classification Standards illustrate the nature, extent and scope of duties and responsibilities of the classes they describe. Standards cannot and do not include all of the work that might be appropriately performed by a class. The minimum qualifications above are those which were required for appointment at the time the Classification Standard was written. Please contact the Division of Staffing Services for current information on minimum qualification requirements for appointment or examination.

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