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EXPERIENCE

MITIGATION SPECIALIST, Chesterfield, VA

Virginia Department of Health, June 2021-Present

- Oversee a team of case investigators in district efforts for outbreak response in school and daycare settings.
- Provide health education to facilities and ensure disease control recommendations are implemented in a timely and appropriate manner.
- Monitor and update reported outbreak information in the Virginia Outbreak Surveillance System and oversee quality assurance.
- Maintain understanding of guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to ensure in-depth knowledge of the latest developments in public health and mitigation guidance for COVID-19 and other diseases.
- Conduct facility site visits both proactively and in the event of an outbreak.

CASE INVESTIGATOR, Chesterfield, VA

Virginia Department of Health, August 2020-June 2021

- Called COVID-19 cases and documented information in the Virginia State Database (VEDSS).
- Assisted with development of a team focused on disease mitigation and outbreaks in school and daycare facilities.
- Trained internal staff and external partners in the conduct of investigations and appropriate methods of controlling disease.
- Collaborated with surrounding local health departments to determine spread of disease in school events across jurisdictions.
- Formed positive community relationships and served as a liaison for local school and daycare facilities.

COVID-19 CONTACT TRACER VOLUNTEER, Staunton, VA

Virginia Department of Health , April 2020-August 2020

- Called individuals who were identified as exposed to COVID-19 to inform of potential exposure.
- Collected and recorded information for the Sara Alert monitoring system to track development of illness post exposure.
- Provided community members with information regarding state quarantine procedures and referred to testing according to current guidance.

EDUCATION

MASTER OF PUBLIC HEALTH IN HEALTH BEHAVIOR & PROMOTION CANDIDATE, Norfolk, VA

Old Dominion University, Expected graduation May 2023

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (B.S.) IN PUBLIC HEALTH, Norfolk, VA

Old Dominion University, August 2020