

Job Profile

Job Title: Senior Strategist in Health Protection

Job Grade: Level 5 Zone 2

Salary Range: £53,897 - £65,350

About Camden

'Camden is building somewhere everyone can thrive, by making our borough the best place to live, work, study and visit. Because, we're not just home to UK's fast-growing economy. We're home to the most important conversations happening today. And we're making radical social change a reality, so that nobody gets left behind. Here's where you can help decide a better future for us all. As the Senior Strategist in Health Protection, you can play a key role in delivering our health and wellbeing agenda.

About the role

Based in Camden's Health and Wellbeing Department, you will be the local authority lead for health protection issues in Camden. This would be achieved by ensuring there are clear and robust strategies, actions and protocols embedded across the council and a range of organisations, in order to protect the health of the population in Camden. You will work with partners across the council and local health and care system, including the UKHSA health protection team, NHS partners, council services and local communities.

Key tasks include:

- Developing and reviewing corporate plans, strategies, and protocols to ensure the council and public health team can respond effectively to health protection incidents and pandemics.
- Responding to health protection enquiries or notifications, including liaison with the local health protection team and council partners such as environmental health, communications, and emergency planning.
- Lead initiatives to increase uptake and reduce inequalities in the uptake of immunisation and screening, particularly among low uptake groups in Camden
- Identify, analyse, interpret and appraise complex public health data and information from a wide range of sources, and communicate this accurately and succinctly via reports and presentations.
- Write briefings, guidance summaries and communication updates for the Director of Health and Wellbeing, council leaders, partners, and wider stakeholders such as care homes and schools, to ensure they remain briefed and informed on public health developments and guidance. This includes the communication of highly sensitive, complex or contentious public health issues.
- Management of any resources identified or available for health protection response
- Liaise with NHS partners and the Integrated Care System on health protection and infection prevention and control policies and approaches.
- Lead the public health role in addressing environmental hazards, such as the impact of severe weather and flooding, and supporting emergency preparedness and response.
- Ensure the resilience of the wider public health department to health protection threats, including the development of training materials

About you

- Substantial experience in a health protection role with specialist knowledge and expertise in Health Protection
- Knowledge of the principles of emergency preparedness, resilience and response (EPRR)
- Knowledge of how local authorities can contribute to addressing inequalities in uptake of immunisations and screening programmes
- Understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the various organisations and actors in protecting and improving the health of the population, including local authorities, UKHSA, and the NHS.
- High standard of communication skills, demonstrated by the ability to present complex oral and written information, in a variety of formats to a variety of audiences. This will include contribution to reports of varying length and complexity.
- Ability to interpret and present complex information for a variety of audiences, in a format where implications of the report are fully understood and inform strategic decision making
- Evidence of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) in health protection
- Ability and motivation to develop and improve skills and progress in a public health or health protection career.
- Commitment to the Council's equality, diversity and inclusion policies, in-line with the Public Sector Equality Duty.

Work Environment:

A flexible hybrid style of home and office working, in line with the Council's flexible working policies.

People Management Responsibilities:

Requires leadership and coordination of senior stakeholders across the council as well as supervision of junior staff and trainees on particular projects or programmes of work.

Relationships:

Will report to the Consultant in Public Health lead for Health Protection. This role will require extensive partnership working with teams across the Public Health Directorate, wider council departments, voluntary and community sector organisations, the local UKHSA health protection team, and NHS partners across the Integrated Care System.

Over to you

We're ready to welcome your ideas, your views, and your rebellious spirit. Help us redefine how we're supporting people, and we'll redefine what a career can be. If that sounds good to you, we'd love to talk

Is this role Politically Restricted?

Some posts at Camden are politically restricted, which means individuals holding these posts cannot have active political role. For a list of all politically restricted roles at Camden [click here](#).

Diversity & Inclusion

At Camden, we value and celebrate difference and encourage diversity in all respects. Our diverse workforce ensures we represent our communities to the best of our ability and enables us to make better decisions. Because of this, we particularly welcome applications from Black, Asian and those of other non-white ethnicities, those who identify as LGBT+, neurodiverse and disabled people.

Agile working

At Camden we view work as an activity, not a place. We focus on performance, not presenteeism. We create trusting relationships, we embrace innovation rather than bureaucracy and we value people. Collaboration is the Camden way, silo working isn't.

At Camden we are proud to be one of Hire Me My Way's inaugural campaign supporters. Hire Me My Way is a national campaign led by Timewise, designed to increase the volume of good quality jobs that can be worked flexibly in the UK (www.HireMeMyWay.org.uk). Hire Me My Way aims to treble the number of available good quality flexible jobs to 1 million by 2020.

Asking for Adjustments

Camden is committed to making our recruitment practices barrier-free and as accessible as possible for everyone. This includes making adjustments or changes for disabled people, neurodiverse people or people with long-term health conditions. If you would like us to do anything differently during the application, interview or assessment process, including providing information in an alternative format, please contact us on 020 7974 6655, at resourcing@camden.gov.uk or post to 5 Pancras Square, London, N1C 4AG,

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