



State of New Jersey

Department of Human Services

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The New Jersey Department of Human Services invites you to apply for the following position:

JOB POSTING #:	068-26	ISSUE DATE:	3/2/2026	CLOSING DATE:	3/23/2026
TITLE:	Assistant Division Director (Chief Legal Officer)				
LOCATION:	Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services Office of Legal and Regulatory Affairs 7 Quakerbridge Plaza Hamilton, NJ 08619	RANGE:	M98		
		SALARY:	\$165,000.00		
		UNIT SCOPE:	K250		
		SERV. CLASS:	Unclassified		
OPEN TO:	General Public				
DESCRIPTION					
DEFINITION:	Under the direction of a Division Director, Deputy Director, or other senior official in a state department or agency, directs the staff and activities of an operational unit responsible for providing general administrative and/or fiscal management, program policy and planning services, or delivering a variety of social, medical, assistance, health care, and other services to a specific client population; does other related duties as required.				
SPECIAL NOTE:	<p>The individual selected for this position will serve as the leader of the Office of Legal and Regulatory Affairs (OLRA) within the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS). Key responsibilities will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providing strategic advice to the Assistant Commissioner (Medicaid Director) and other DHS leadership on legal and related matters, including compliance or litigation risks, policy opportunities, and evolving federal statutory or regulatory requirements; Serving as a key member of the Medicaid leadership team, with engagement on all major Medicaid policy and operational topics; Provide technical input on pending state legislation that impacts DMAHS programs and operations; Lead process through which DMAHS issues and updates state regulation and other formal policy guidance; Oversee the management of New Jersey's Medicaid and CHIP state plan, including submission of state plan amendments for federal approval; Supervise the development and execution of interagency agreements and memoranda of understanding; Oversee DMAHS's privacy and ethics portfolios; Manage the DMAHS fair hearings unit, and advise the Assistant Commissioner on Final Agency Decisions; Serve as a liaison to key state government partners, including the Office of the Attorney General, Office of Administrative Law, the Medicaid Fraud Division, and federal partners, including the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services; Providing day-to-day management and leadership for OLRA staff of 73. 				
REQUIREMENTS					
REQUIREMENTS:	<p>Applicants must meet one of the following or a combination of both experience and education. Thirty (30) semester hour credits are equal to one (1) year of relevant experience.</p> <p>Ten (10) years of professional experience in a public or private organization involved in programs providing either social/community, medical/health, rehabilitation/education, or vocational/occupational services to a specific client population (physical, intellectual, or developmental disability, juvenile offenders, socially/economically disadvantaged, etc.), three (3) years of which shall have been in a supervisory capacity.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Ten (10) years of professional experience as an administrator responsible for planning, budgets, and administration of programs in a large public or private agency, three (3) years of which shall have been in a supervisory capacity.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Possession of a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university; and six (6) years of the above-mentioned professional experience, three (3) years of which shall have been in a supervisory capacity.</p>				

	<p>OR</p> <p>Possession of a master's degree from an accredited college or university in a field relevant to the position; and five (5) years of the above-mentioned professional experience, three (3) years of which shall have been in a supervisory capacity.</p> <p>"Professional experience" refers to work that is creative, analytical, evaluative, and interpretive; requires a range and depth of specialized knowledge of the profession's principles, concepts, theories, and practices; and is performed with the authority to act according to one's own judgment and make accurate and informed decisions.</p>
SPECIAL NOTE:	Strong preference will be given to candidates who have graduated from an accredited law school with a Juris Doctor (J.D.) Degree, and are eligible or can become eligible to practice as an Attorney-At-Law in the State of New Jersey
LICENSE:	Appointees will be required to possess a driver's license valid in New Jersey only if the operation of a vehicle, rather than employee mobility, is necessary to perform the essential duties of the position.
IMPORTANT NOTICES	
FOREIGN DEGREES:	Degrees and/or transcripts issued by a college or university outside of the United States <i>must be evaluated</i> by a reputable evaluation service at your expense. The evaluation must be included with your submission. Failure to submit the required evaluation may result in an ineligibility determination.
RESIDENCY:	In accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14-7 (NJ PL 70), the "New Jersey First Act", all employees must reside in the State of New Jersey (NJ), unless exempted under the law. If you do not live in NJ, you have (1) year after you begin employment to relocate your residence to NJ.
DRUG SCREENING:	If you are a candidate for a position with DHS, you may be subject to pre and/or post-employment drug testing/ screening. The cost of any pre-employment testing <i>will be at your expense</i> . Candidates with a positive drug test result, or those who refuse to be tested and/or cooperate with the testing requirement, will not be hired. You will be advised if the position for which you're being considered requires drug testing and how its administered.
CIVIL SERVICE LISTS:	Applicable regular or special re-employment list(s) established as a result of a layoff will be used before promotions are made. All appointments will be made utilizing the procedures and guidelines in accordance with N.J.A.C. 4A.
TELEWORK:	Certain positions may be eligible to participate in the Department's "Telework Program", which offers eligible employees the opportunity to work remotely for up to two (2) days per week, as approved by management. Details on this, and other benefits, will be made available throughout the interview process.
SAME PROGRAM:	If you are applying under the NJ State as a Model Employer "SAME" program, your supporting documents (Schedule A or B letter), must be submitted along with your resume by the closing date indicated above. For more information on the SAME Program visit their website at: https://nj.gov/csc/same/overview/index.shtml , email: CSC-SAME@csc.nj.gov , or call CSC at (609) 292-4144,
EMPLOYEE BENEFITS:	In accordance with the "Pay Transparency Act", the NJ State Benefits Package includes: State Health Benefits Program (medical, dental, prescription drug and vision care); Pension; Deferred Compensation; Public Service Loan Forgiveness (PSLF) participation; Tuition Reimbursement; Flexible and Health Spending Accounts (FSA/HSA); Paid holidays; Paid Leave (vacation days, sick days and administrative leave days); Telework; Alternate Work Week Program; Life Insurance; Tax\$ave; NJ Well; State Employee Discount Program; Employee Advisory Service (EAS); Please be advised that eligibility for any of the benefits listed may vary pursuant to job duties, operational need, funding, policy, procedures and/or guidelines.
FILING INSTRUCTIONS	
<p>Forward a cover letter, resume, and transcript (if applicable) electronically to:</p> <p>DHS-CO.Resumes@dhs.nj.gov</p> <p>You must include the Job <i>Posting #</i>, and <i>Last Name</i> in the subject line of your email. Example: (123-25, Smith)</p>	

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