

Medical Officer (Physician)

National Transportation Safety Board

Office of Research & Engineering

Open & closing dates

🕒 07/16/2018 to 08/15/2018

Salary

\$126,148 to \$181,480 per year

Pay scale & grade

SL 00

Work schedule

Full-Time

Appointment type

Permanent

Locations

1 vacancy in the following location:

District of Columbia, DC

Relocation expenses reimbursed

Yes You may qualify for reimbursement of relocation expenses in accordance with agency policy.

This job is open to



The public

U.S. citizens, nationals or those who owe allegiance to the U.S.

Announcement number

RE-10254674-18-DM

Control number

505139600

Duties

Summary

This position is located in Washington, DC in the Office of Research and Engineering, Office of the Director. The position serves as a subject matter expert reviewing and providing written medical opinions regarding medical records and related medical information gathered during the conduct of the NTSB's transportation accident investigations and safety studies.

Responsibilities

The **ideal candidate** for this position will be a physician in any specialty with some clinical experience who has extensive knowledge and experience in areas such as; transportation safety; toxicology; clinical and forensic pathology; determination of cognitive or physical impairment related to the cause of an accident, research methodology; injury analysis; and using medical literature to provide evidence-based support for medical conclusions. In addition, the candidate must possess expertise in communicating complex medical issues in plain language, writing technical reports, and have the skills to develop and present educational programs dealing with medical issues in an accident investigation. Finally, the ideal candidate must be available to respond to transportation accidents, anywhere across the United States to investigate medical and injury issues related to transportation accidents.

At the SL-602-00 level, typical duties may include:

- Serves as a subject matter expert reviewing and providing written opinions regarding medical records and related medical information gathered in the conduct of the NTSB's transportation accident investigations and safety studies;
- Serves as an expert consultant in researching, evaluating, and interpreting medical records and other evidence relating to NTSB accident investigations and safety studies across all transportation modes; and
- Conducts or leads a variety of analyses regarding transportation operators' cognitive or physical impairment of their ability to perform safely as a result of medical conditions or substance use and documents the analysis in a written report.

Travel Required

Occasional travel - You may be expected to travel for this position.

Supervisory status

No

Promotion Potential

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Job family (Series)

[0602 Medical Officer](#)

<https://www.usajobs.gov/Search/?i=0602>

Requirements

Conditions Of Employment

- U.S. Citizenship
- Males born after 12/31/59 must be registered for Selective Service
- Resume and supporting documents (see "How to Apply" section.)
- Suitability for Federal employment
- Financial Interest in transportation enterprises is prohibited
- Bargaining Unit Position: NO
- Direct Deposit is required.
- Trial or probationary period may be required.

Qualifications

BASIC REQUIREMENTS:

DEGREE: Doctor of Medicine, Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine or equivalent from a school in the United States or Canada. This degree must have been accredited by the Council on Medical Education of the American Medical Association; Association of American Medical Colleges; Liaison Committee on Medical Education; Commission on Osteopathic College Accreditation of the American Osteopathic Association, or an accrediting body recognized by the U.S. Department of Education at the time the degree was obtained. Refer to the following website for further information concerning criteria that meets this requirement, <http://www.opm.gov/qualifications/standards/IORs/g0600/0602.htm>

NOTE: Degree from Foreign Medical School: A Doctor of Medicine or equivalent degree from a foreign medical school must provide education and medical knowledge equivalent to accredited schools in the United States. Evidence of equivalency to accredited schools in the United States is demonstrated by permanent certification by the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates (external link), a fifth pathway certificate for Americans who completed premedical education in the United States and graduate education in a foreign country, or successful completion of the U.S. Medical Licensing Examination.

GRADUATE TRAINING: Subsequent to obtaining a Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine degree, a candidate must have completed residency training in at least one specialty recognized by the American Medical Association, (AMA) or Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education (ACGME).

LICENSURE: For all grade levels and positions, applicants must possess a current, active, full, and unrestricted license or registration as a Physician from a State, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, or a territory of the United States.

CERTIFICATION: Candidates must have attained Board Certification in a medical specialty recognized by the American Board of Medical Specialties.

Education

As stated in the qualifications section.

Additional information

- The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) offers a comprehensive benefits package that includes, in part, paid vacation, sick leave, holidays, life insurance, health benefits, and participation in the Federal Employees Retirement System. A variety of work life amenities are offered such as alternate work schedules, telework, flextime, fitness benefits and transit benefits.
- Moving expenses associated with permanent change of station (PCS) **ARE** authorized for this position.
- If you left Federal Employment and received a buy out and you are selected for this position, you may be required to repay the full amount of the payment.
- Multiple and subsequent vacancies may be filled from this announcement.
- If you are an eligible Interagency Career Transition Assistance Program (ICTAP) applicant you may apply for special selection over other candidates for this position. To be well-qualified and exercise selection priority for this vacancy, displaced Federal employees must be rated at 90 or above on the rating criteria for this position. ICTAP eligibles must submit one of the following as proof of eligibility for the special selection priority: a separation notice; a "Notice of Personnel Action" (SF-50) documenting separation; an agency certification that you cannot be placed after injury compensation has been terminated; an OPM notification that your disability annuity has been terminated; OR a Military Department or National Guard Bureau notification that you are retired under 5 U.S.C. 8337(h) or 8456.
- Veterans who served on active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces and were separated under honorable conditions may be eligible for veterans' preference. Veterans' preference does not apply to positions in the Senior Executive Service or to internal agency actions such as a reassignment or promotion. When claiming preference, veterans must provide a copy of their DD-214, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty, or other acceptable documentation. Applicants claiming 10 point preference will need to submit Form SF-15, Application for 10-point Veterans' Preference. If you have questions about the applicability of veterans' preference for a particular vacancy please contact the agency posting the announcement. To learn more about veterans' preference, special veteran appointing authorities, and other veteran related topics, please visit <http://www.fedshirevets.gov>.

-- All qualification requirements must be met by the closing date of this announcement. Additional information on the qualification requirements is outlined in the OPM Qualifications Standards Handbook of General Schedule Positions. It is available for your review in our office, in other Federal agency personnel offices, and on OPM's web site at <http://www.opm.gov/qualifications>.

-- Telework may be authorized on a case-by-case basis.

-- The National Transportation Safety Board provides reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. Applicants requiring reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process should contact the National Transportation Safety Board directly. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

How You Will Be Evaluated

DIRECT HIRE AUTHORITY - This vacancy will be filled via OPM's Direct Hire Authority. Veterans' preference and traditional rating and ranking of applicants do not apply to positions filled using this authority.

You will be evaluated for this job based on how well you meet the qualifications as outlined in this vacancy announcement. Each applicant is required to submit a comprehensive narrative statement separately addressing each **MANDATORY TECHNICAL QUALIFICATION (MTQ)**. Narratives must demonstrate the necessary level of skills, characteristics, qualities, specialized knowledge, and technical competence that would indicate successful performance in this Senior Level position. This evidence must include clear and concise examples that emphasize the applicant's level of responsibilities, scope, and complexity of assignments, program accomplishments, policy initiatives, and level of contacts.

EACH MTQ MUST BE ADDRESSED. Applicants who fail to provide this narrative statement in the format requested will not be considered. Each narrative is limited to two pages.

MTQ1 - Extensive experience interpreting toxicology, autopsy, and other medical data to evaluate the potential effects of medical conditions or substance use on job performance.

MTQ2 - Experience communicating technical medical information in both verbal and written form to the public.

MTQ3 - Experience evaluating acute traumatic injury mechanisms and injury causation based on medical records, radiology reports and imaging and autopsy reports

OR

MTQ4 - Expertise in developing and completing technical medical reports and presentations for medical audiences.

Background checks and security clearance

Security clearance

[Secret](#)

[\(https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/faq/job-announcement/security-clearances/\)](https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/faq/job-announcement/security-clearances/)

Required Documents

You are encouraged to apply online. Applying online will allow you to review and track the status of your application. The following documents are required for a **COMPLETE APPLICATION PACKAGE**:

To fully determine eligibility, all applicable documents listed below must be submitted. Failure to submit any of the below documentation may result in your disqualification from further consideration.

- Resume
- Responses to the questionnaire
- If claiming Veterans Preference, DD-214 or equivalent; if claiming compensable injury, include SF-15 and VA Letter.
- Transcripts verifying possession of education requirement.
- Copies of medical license, applicable certifications.
- Mandatory technical qualifications narratives.

If you are relying on your education to meet qualification requirements:

Education must be accredited by an accrediting institution recognized by the U.S. Department of Education in order for it to be credited towards qualifications. Therefore, provide only the attendance and/or degrees from [schools accredited by accrediting institutions recognized by the U.S. Department of Education](http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/) (<http://www.ed.gov/admins/finaid/accred/>)

Failure to provide all of the required information as stated in this vacancy announcement may result in an ineligible rating or may affect the overall rating.

Benefits

A career with the U.S. Government provides employees with a comprehensive benefits package. As a federal employee, you and your family will have access to a range of benefits that are designed to make your federal career very rewarding.

- [Benefits for federal employees](https://www.usa.gov/benefits-for-federal-employees#item-36407) (<https://www.usa.gov/benefits-for-federal-employees#item-36407>)
- [Healthcare insurance](https://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/) (<https://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/>)
- [Pay and leave](https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/pay-and-leave/) (<https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/pay-and-leave/>)

<http://www.opm.gov/healthcare-insurance/fastfacts/quickguide.pdf>

Eligibility for benefits depends on the type of position you hold and whether your position is full-time, part-time, or intermittent. Contact the hiring agency for more information on the specific benefits offered.

How to Apply

1. To apply for this position, you must provide a complete application package (see the required documents section). The complete application package must be submitted by 11:59 PM (EST) on 08/15/2018.
2. To begin the process, click the 'Apply' button to create an account or log in to your existing USAJOBS account. Follow the prompts to complete the occupational questionnaire. Please ensure you click the Submit My Answers button at the end of the process.
3. To view or print occupational questionnaire click here <https://apply.usastaffing.gov/ViewQuestionnaire/10254674> (<https://apply.usastaffing.gov/ViewQuestionnaire/10254674>)
4. To check the status of your application or return to a previous or incomplete application log into your USAJOBS account, select Application Status, and click on the More Information link under the application status for this position.

NOTE: If you cannot apply online, please send an e-mail which includes the vacancy announcement number, position title and the reason you are not able to apply on-line to [HumanResourcesDivision](mailto:HumanResourcesDivision@ntsb.gov) (<mailto:HumanResourcesDivision@ntsb.gov>)

@ntsb.gov

at least 1 business day before the closing date.

Agency contact information

 Human Resources Division

Phone

[\(202\) 314-6401](tel:(202)314-6401)
(tel://(202)314-6401)

Email

humanresourcesdivision@ntsb.gov
(mailto:humanresourcesdivision@ntsb.gov)

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Address

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NTSB: Independently Advancing Transportation Safety

The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) is an independent U.S. Federal agency responsible for investigating significant accidents in the various modes of transportation-aviation, railroad, highway, marine, and pipeline. The NTSB determines the probable cause of each accident investigated and issues safety recommendations to prevent future accidents.

The National Transportation Safety Board does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy and gender identity), national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, genetic information, age, membership in an employee organization, retaliation, parental status, military service, or other non-merit factor. Providing this information is voluntary and has no impact on the recruitment or hiring process. This information will be used to determine if our equal employment opportunity efforts are reaching all segments of the population, consistent with Federal equal employment opportunity laws.

Next steps

Once the announcement has closed, your resume and supporting documentation will be used to determine if you meet the qualifications listed in the announcement.

Fair & Transparent

The Federal hiring process is setup to be fair and transparent. Please read the following guidance.

Equal Employment Opportunity Policy

The United States Government does not discriminate in employment on the basis of race, color, religion, sex (including pregnancy And gender identity), national origin, political affiliation, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, genetic information, age, membership in an employee organization, retaliation, parental status, military service, or other non-merit factor.

- [Equal Employment Opportunity \(EEO\) office at OPM](https://www.opm.gov/about-us/our-people-organization/support-functions/equal-employment-opportunity/)
(https://www.opm.gov/about-us/our-people-organization/support-functions/equal-employment-opportunity/)
- [Office of Equal Opportunity](http://www.eeoc.gov/eeoc/internal_eeo/index.cfm)
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Reasonable Accommodation Policy

Federal agencies must provide reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. Applicants requiring reasonable accommodation for any part of the application process should follow the instructions in the job opportunity announcement. For any part of the remaining hiring process, applicants should contact the hiring agency directly. Determinations on requests for reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

A reasonable accommodation is any change in the workplace or the way things are customarily done that provides an equal employment opportunity to an individual with a disability. Under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC) must provide reasonable accommodations:

- An applicant with a disability needs an accommodation to have an equal opportunity to apply for a job.
- An employee with a disability needs an accommodation to perform the essential job duties or to gain access to the workplace.
- An employee with a disability needs an accommodation to receive equal access to benefits, such as details, training, and office-sponsored events.
- [Disability Employment - Reasonable Accommodations](https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/disability-employment/reasonable-accommodations/)
(<https://www.opm.gov/policy-data-oversight/disability-employment/reasonable-accommodations/>)
- [How to contact an agency](https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/how-to/application/agency/contact/)
(<https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/how-to/application/agency/contact/>)

Legal and regulatory guidance

[Financial suitability](https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/financial-suitability/)

(<https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/financial-suitability/>)

[Social security number request](https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/social-security-number/)

(<https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/social-security-number/>)

[Privacy Act](https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/privacy-act/)

(<https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/privacy-act/>)

[Signature & False statements](https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/signature-false-statements/)

(<https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/signature-false-statements/>)

[Selective Service](https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/selective-service/)

(<https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/selective-service/>)

[New employee probationary period](https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/probationary-period/)

(<https://www.usajobs.gov/Help/working-in-government/fair-and-transparent/probationary-period/>)