



BACKGROUND

The United Steelworkers (USW) is the largest industrial union in North America and represents more than 850,000 members in the United States and Canada. The USW is seeking a highly skilled person to join the union's Health, Safety and Environment Department. This position is for an **Occupational Health Specialist** and is located at our International Headquarters in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. It is a position that requires significant travel.

PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Assist local unions with occupational health and industrial hygiene issues, as well as safety and environmental issues as the need arises
- Develop and conduct education and training programs for local union committee officers and USW field staff
- Help negotiate better health and safety language in USW contracts
- Participate in the union's health, safety and environment efforts with the AFL-CIO, CLC, other unions and global labor bodies
- Work for better health, safety and environmental laws, government standards and regulations

KNOWLEDGE AND SKILL REQUIREMENTS

- Requires a highly motivated, energetic, self-directed activist wishing to work for a socially responsible organization focusing on the needs of the USW membership
 - Work experience with workers, the trade union movement or other comparable organizations and an understanding of the occupational health needs of the USW membership desired
 - Demonstrated experience of working on multiple projects with distinct deadlines as both a team leader and team member required
- Willingness to work long, irregular hours as needed, often including weekends and evenings
 - Availability for work related travel on a planned and emergency basis of at least 50% of time required
- BS/MS in Industrial Hygiene, Occupational/Environmental/Public Health or related fields is required, minimum of five to seven years experience
 - Hands on experience with the control of occupational exposures to hazardous chemical and physical components required
 - Understanding and experience with major industrial chemical exposure pathways required
 - Experience with worker radiation exposure desired
 - Involvement with occupational health issues in industrial and service sector workplaces desired

- Involvement with occupational health screening programs and/or medical monitoring programs desired
- Experience with worker impairment issues and the deficiencies with screening programs for controlled substances desired
- Excellent written and verbal communication, research, and computer skills. Proficiency in Spanish or French is helpful, but not essential
 - Proficiency in development and production of technical documents required
 - Experience in delivery of presentations to a variety of audiences required
- Able to work independently, prioritize workload and perform under pressure in a fast paced environment
- A background in the USW, other unions or social justice organizations is preferred but not required

COMPENSATION

Compensation for the Occupational Health Specialist includes a salary range of \$55K to \$85K. A generous package of benefits includes fully paid health, dental, vision and life insurance; a defined benefit pension plan and a 401(k) plan; and a tuition reimbursement plan. In addition to salary, this position provides a generous per diem, car allowance and car insurance program.

The USW is an equal opportunity employer and applicants of all backgrounds are strongly encouraged to apply.

QUESTIONS & CONTACT

Interested candidates should submit a resume and a cover letter detailing your qualifications for the position by e-mail to Jim Frederick at jfrederick@usw.org.