The Franklin County Health Department is accepting applications for **a Full-Time Merit Position for a HANDS Specialist I** (Grade 14 – Salary $17.04 - $21.19 may be adjusted at agency’s discretion based on education and experience).

**General Duties Include**: This position serves under the general direction of the HANDS Manager. Responsibilities for this position include but are not limited to; Conduct assessments for new families, quarterly home visits, and regular weekly home visits to assist parent/s and/or families with child development, parenting skills, and other needed resources identified at assessment or during visits. Initiate and maintain regular and long-term contact and provide support to parents during the prenatal period and extending up to, but not inclusive of the child’s third birthday. The responsibilities include home visitations that may take place in the client’s home or another community site if justified, that include monitoring of the child and family’s progress by making referrals to community resources, such as prenatal health services, school, head start, etc. Tracking appointments to ensure they are being kept, performing follow-up services as identified and performing periodic evaluations of the participants’ changing needs. Perform support tasks as assigned.

**Minimum Education, Training or Experience:** Bachelor’s Degree in Social Work or Nursing, other closely related fields may be considered; however, degrees in Social Work or Nursing are preferred.

No experience required; however, Associates Degree in Nursing with licensure in Kentucky and two years of public health experience will substitute for education.

**Special Requirements**:

If Social Worker or Nurse MUST be currently licensed by professional board

Must be 18 years of age

Must have telephone accessibility

Must have reliable transportation and valid Drivers License

Criminal Background Check

**On the job training requirement needed within 6 months of hire in order to advance**:

HANDS home visitor core training (Must be completed before family contact can occur)

HANDS wrap-around required training (Specific topical areas checklist)

CPR Certification

\*Spanish language skills preferred but not required

**Benefits**: Sick and vacation time accrual; paid holidays; life insurance; health insurance through Kentucky Employee Health Plan; participation in Kentucky Public Pensions Authority.

**Apply at** [https://chfs.wd12.myworkdayjobs.com/CHFS](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https%3A/chfs.wd12.myworkdayjobs.com/CHFS__;!!Db6frn15oIvDD3UI!k21lOHU6p89F8FUDYGApdvE_xwuP_EfggLTzNHEdiS_DkMbH9eIk4z8IajAwRK9o1Hxi05I_l-6GvFpdR1aoucnsUw$) . Completed application must be submitted by **AUGUST 8, 2025**. **Transcripts must be uploaded before the close date of the advertisement if post-secondary education is required or may be substituted for experience.  Transcripts must list the degree awarded.**  Employment may be contingent upon background check.

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