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Career Opportunities

Child Health. The University of Michigan and the University of Minnesota Schools of Public Health will hold jointly an institute on "Newer Concepts of Growth and Development: Implications in Child Health" for 5 days, November 28—December 2, 1960, in Minneapolis, Minn., sponsored by Michigan and Minnesota State maternal and child health and crippled children's programs under a grant from the U.S. Children's Bureau.

Seminars and discussions of recommendations from the 1960 White House Conference on Children and Youth, newer knowledge in growth and development and its application to health supervision of children, accident prevention, management of handicapped children, program planning and evaluation, and enlisting community support are a part of the program.

Eligibility is limited to staff members in States in Regions V and VI of the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare and immediate border States. Further information may be obtained from Dr. Donald C. Smith, associate professor of maternal and child health, University of Michigan School of Public Health, Ann Arbor, Mich., for Region V, and Dr. Gaylord W. Anderson, director, University of Minnesota School of Public Health, Minneapolis, Minn., for Region VI.

Tuberculosis. The Communicable Disease Center, in cooperation with the Division of Special Health Services, Public Health Service, will offer a course in laboratory methods in the diagnosis of tuberculosis October 31-November 11, 1960, and January 30-February 10, 1961. All grades of employed laboratory personnel approved by the State health officers are eligible, as well as laboratory directors and senior laboratory staff members. Practical laboratory training will cover all phases of tuberculosis bacteriology, including preparation in culture media, microscopy, cultural procedures, diagnostic use of animals, cytochemical techniques, and testing of drug sensitivity. Demonstration and training in techniques for the isolation and identification of atypical acidfast bacilli will also be presented. No tuition or laboratory fees are

charged. Application forms may be obtained from the Laboratory Branch, Communicable Disease Center, Public Health Service Atlanta, Ga.

Radiation. The Robert A. Taft Sanitary Engineering Center, Public Health Service, is offering five courses on public health aspects of radiation during the coming months. These courses are:

Radionuclides in Foods, September 12–23, designed for professional personnel responsible for the surveillance of radioactive materials in milk and food. The course includes technical training and laboratory sessions in methods for the sampling and assay of radioactive contaminants, and discussions on procedures for data interpretation and problems in this environmental area.

Four consecutive courses, Basic Radiological Health, October 3–14, Radionuclide Protection and Radiological Health for X-Ray Technicians, both during the week of October 17–21, and X-ray Protection, October 24–28. Basic radiological health, a prerequisite for the courses in radionuclide and X-ray protection, presents the fundamentals of nuclear physics and chemistry necessary for technical understanding of radiological problems in public health and covers the major requirements essential for work in this field.

The Robert A. Taft Sanitary Engineering Center is also offering a 2-week training course in plankton analysis, October 24—November 4, designed for personnel in the fields of water supply and limnology. Laboratory practice will be provided in identification and enumeration of algae and other organisms in water supply reservoirs, water treatment plants, and distribution systems. Class discussions and conferences will offer opportunity for consideration of local problems, interpretation of observations, and applicable corrective measures.

Applications or requests for detailed information on any of these courses should be addressed to the Chief, Training Program, Robert A. Taft Sanitary Engineering Center, 4676 Columbia Parkway, Cincinnati 26, Ohio, or to a Public Health Service Regional Office director.