



# BUDGET AND POLICY ANALYST

Mental Hygiene Unit

Salary: \$56,655 - \$67,119

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Advance your career in government finance, management, and public policy at the New York State Division of the Budget (DOB)! DOB develops, negotiates, and implements one of the largest government budgets in the country, which provides the fiscal roadmap for State programs, policies, and services.

We are seeking motivated analysts and critical thinkers to join our team. DOB analysts rely on their skills for creative problem solving, attention to detail, and comprehensive communication to respond to emerging challenges, identify and develop solutions, and ensure the fiscal health of the State.

The Mental Hygiene Unit is recruiting a candidate to be part of a team responsible for the development, negotiation, and execution of the Office of Mental Health (OMH) \$2.7 billion Aid to Localities budget. OMH provides grants to a not-for-profit network that provides a full spectrum of community-based services to individuals with serious mental illness, including residential programs, outpatient treatment, and crisis services. This assignment provides broad exposure to complex and high-profile State fiscal and policy issues related to mental health policies and programs.

## Responsibilities

Budget and Policy Analysts at DOB are typically involved in:

- Developing in-depth knowledge of program areas, including detailed analysis of broader trends (e.g trends in the policy area, budgetary and spending trends, economic trends and implications, etc.), potential impacts on program operations, and collaborating with counterparts to understand agency and program operations, issues, and challenges.
- Drafting recommendations and materials to guide decision-making, including articulating nuanced issues, illustrating trends and projections, and synthesizing data.
- Managing the State's Financial Plan including by projecting and monitoring spending trends, identifying challenges, and working with counterparts to mitigate fiscal risks.
- Tracking implementation of supported housing development across the State.

## Qualifications

Minimum qualifications for our title series can be found on our [Salaries and Career Paths](#) page. Candidates for this position should demonstrate the following:

- Ability to work both independently and collaboratively with diverse stakeholders.
- Fluency in Excel formulas and functions, and other Microsoft applications.
- Strong written, visual, and verbal communication skills.

The ideal candidate will have analytic ability and a willingness to learn. Key skills for this role include



objectivity, flexibility, and adaptability.

All positions are located in Albany, NY, and weekly onsite work is required coupled with some remote work flexibility. Mandatory overtime may be required.

## **Benefits of Working at DOB**

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## **Experience of Working at DOB**

Entry level analysts benefit from the knowledge and mentoring of seasoned staff while learning policy development and implementation. For more on what it's like to work at DOB, check out DOB's Employment [video series](#).

## **How to Apply**

To be considered for this or future positions with DOB, please complete the [Online Employment Application](#) and select "Budget Fellow" as the Title Applying For. Select [Disability Services](#) in the Professional Interests section for this specific vacancy. Applications are held in DOB's resume database for three months, after which candidates may reapply to be considered for future opportunities.

If you require assistance in applying for employment with the DOB, or if you have any questions about working for DOB, please contact [CareerOpportunities@budget.ny.gov](mailto:CareerOpportunities@budget.ny.gov).

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