

RADIATION HEALTH OFFICER (RHO)



BENEFITS:

No matter your background, interests or goals, the Navy can help you unlock every opportunity.

ADVANCING EDUCATION:

- RHOs can take advantage of fully funded graduate education in America's top academic institutions, with M.S. and Ph.D. opportunities for Health and Medical Physics, and a CAMPEP accredited Diagnostic Medical Physics Residency Program.
- Receive full pay and health benefits while you learn full-time.

FINANCIAL:

- Competitive pay that outpaces civilian equivalent job markets.
- Tax free allowances for housing
- Tax free allowances for food
- Cost of Living Allowances in certain circumstances
- "Thrift savings plan" (equivalent to a contribution matching 401K)
- 100% healthcare coverage for you and your family with no copay

FINANCIAL (Cont'd)

- Family dental plan eligibility (low-cost monthly fee).
- Competitive Term Life Insurance
 - \$500,000 for service member
 - \$100,000 for spouse
 - \$10,000 for dependents

ADDITIONAL:

- 30 days paid vacation per year
- Standby flights for free air travel
- Service Member's Civil Relief Act/Military Lending Act benefits (e.g., reduced credit card interest rates/no annual membership fees)
- Be part of something bigger than yourself
- Ability to earn while you learn and grow your leadership abilities.
- Work experience earned is directly translatable to civilian employment.



RADIATION HEALTH

**Radiation Health (2300/1825)
US Navy Medical Service Corps
-2024-**

JOB DESCRIPTION:

Navy Radiation Health Officers (RHOs) have a technical background in the physical sciences and receive robust training in Radiological Fundamentals, Personnel Dosimetry, Medical Surveillance, Casualty Response, and Medical Physics, focusing on Diagnostic Imaging. They are radiological subject-matter-experts for the world’s most powerful Navy.

Serving world-wide at military hospitals, naval shipyards, deployable medical platforms, research laboratories, and learning institutions, RHOs solve diverse radiological physics challenges, ensuring Sailors, civilians, and fellow members of the public are protected from radiological hazards.

The Navy relies on RHOs to become leaders in their field. RHOs lead the Navy’s active duty and civilian workforce in developing and implementing radiation safety policy and procedures.

Whether the use of radiation is for propelling a nuclear-powered submarine around the world, for modern medicine used for our sailors and family members, or for advanced research in warfighting, the Navy RHO is a leader in completing the mission.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must have a bachelor’s degree.
- Coursework must include two semesters of physics and two semesters of calculus.
- GPA must be 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale.



JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Navy has opportunities for RHOs to serve in the United States and abroad (e.g., Asia, Europe).
Travel as you serve!

- **Military Hospitals and Clinics:** Provide radiological safety and medical physics services to thousands of staff and patients, ensuring world-class medical care.
- **Defense Threat Reduction Agency:** Problem solve challenges associated with Nuclear Weapons in a fast-paced analytical environment.
- **Armed Forces Radiobiology Research Institute:** Equip Sailors and Marines with knowledge on how to maintain combat effectiveness of warfighters in radiological and nuclear environments.
- **Naval Shipyards:** Ensure appropriate monitoring and care of personnel and the environment during the repair, maintenance, and overhaul of nuclear-powered warships.
- **Aircraft Carriers:** As the ship’s health physicist, conduct dose tracking and medical management of occupational exposed personnel. You can even qualify Officer of the Deck and pilot a multi-billion-dollar warship!
- **Naval Undersea Medical Institute:** Instruct physicians, nurses, physician assistants, and Navy Hospital Corpsman on Radiation Health practices to provide care to fleet forces afloat and ashore.
- **Forward Deployable Preventive Medicine Units:** Provide specialized radiological hazards and risk communication support to Navy operational forces deployed overseas and at home.

Earn your professional certification through the American Board of Health Physics and/or American Board of Radiology.