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Dear MSK Talent Acquisition Team,

I am writing to apply for the position of Infection Preventionist at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, as advertised on your website's careers page. I am a recent graduate (May 2019) from the New York University College of Global Public Health (NYU) with a Master's in Public Health concentrating on Epidemiology. I am passionate about studying and preventing infectious diseases and believe my qualifications and skills make me an excellent candidate for Infection Preventionist at MSK.

At NYU, I received a comprehensive education into a variety of disciplines in public health and had opportunities to work on interdisciplinary teams to critically assess public health issues. I had the privilege to work as an instructor in an Epidemiology course, where I led a class of 35 graduate students in learning the core concepts of epidemiological research and analysis. I also worked as part of a team in the Social Epidemiology And Research in Community Health (SEARCH) in writing a textbook chapter on Stroke Epidemiology and Prevention designed for a clinical audience, and in patient recruitment for a pilot of a clinical trial at NYU Langone Medical Center. Through the SEARCH program, I regularly presented and discussed research findings at lab meetings, as well as presentations at professional conferences. Outside of NYU, I worked as an Epidemiology Research Associate with Pfizer to review the incidence and risk for negative obstetric outcomes in order to inform future clinical trials on maternal vaccines.

In addition to the education I received for my MPH, I have sought education to better prepare myself for a career in infection prevention. I enrolled in coursework outside my degree at NYU focused on current research into infectious diseases and have enrolled in a CDC Training course for Infection Preventionists in a long-term care setting.

I am confident my skills and experience would prove beneficial to the Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center and would welcome an opportunity to discuss my qualifications with you in person. I can be reached before 3:00 pm at (218) 308-3413, or you may leave a message on my answering machine and I will return the call promptly. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Benjamin D. Schram, MPH