

Opportunity Title: FDA Drug Safety - Medication Errors Fellowship

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Organization U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA)

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- A current resume/CV, including academic history, employment history, relevant experiences, and publication list
- One educational or professional recommendation

All documents must be in English or include an official English translation.

If you have questions, send an email to ORISE.FDA.CDER@oraui.org. Please include the reference code for this opportunity in your email.

Application Deadline 6/30/2023 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

Description *Applications will be reviewed on a rolling-basis.

A research opportunity is available in the Division of Medication Error Prevention and Analysis II (DMEPA II), Office of Medication Error Prevention and Risk Management (OMEPRM), Office of Surveillance and Epidemiology (OSE), Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER), Food and Drug Administration (FDA) located in Silver Spring, Maryland. CDER performs an essential public health task by making sure that safe and effective drugs are available to improve the health of people in the United States. As part of the FDA, CDER regulates over-the-counter and prescription drugs, including biological therapeutics and generic drugs.

Formal training will be provided at the Institute for Safe Medication Practices (ISMP) and FDA where the participant will gain knowledge in Root Cause Analysis (RCA), Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA), and other risk-assessment tools and methods. The research project will provide hands-on experience on analyzing medication error, use error reports received in the ISMP Medication Reporting Program and the FDA Adverse Event Reporting System, and will gain knowledge of drug name displays in various HealthIT systems and advance regulatory science in reviewing proposed proprietary name in a HealthIT environment. The mentor will aid the participant to develop the specific research methodology, guide the participant through analyzing the research findings, and apply the findings to regulatory review.

This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education, was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and FDA. The initial appointment is for 12 months. The participant will receive a monthly stipend commensurate with educational level and experience. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. The appointment is full-time at FDA. Participants do not become employees of FDA, DOE or the program administrator, and there are no employment-related benefits.

Completion of a successful background investigation by the Office of Personnel Management is required for an applicant to be on-boarded at FDA. OPM can complete a background investigation



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- Non-employee nature of the ORISE appointment;
- Prohibition on ORISE Fellows performing inherently governmental functions;
- Obligation of ORISE Fellows to convey all necessary rights to the FDA regarding intellectual property conceived or first reduced to practice during their fellowship;
- The fact that research materials and laboratory notebooks are the property of the FDA;
- ORISE fellow's obligation to protect and not to further disclose or use non-public information.

Qualifications The qualified candidate should have received a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree in one of the relevant fields. Degree must have been received within the past five years.

Preferred Skills:

- A strong background in medication error prevention and analysis
- A year of pharmacy residency practice in an educational and training environment is desired

Eligibility Requirements

- **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree, or Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 month(s).
- **Discipline(s):**
 - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([48](#) )

Affirmation I have lived in the United States for at least 36 out of the past 60 months. (36 months do not have to be consecutive.)