

**Opportunity Title:** CDC Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Surveillance

Fellowship

**Opportunity Reference Code:** CDC-NCIPC-2023-0171

**Organization** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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A complete application consists of:

- An application
- Transcripts – [Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts](#)
- A current resume/CV, including academic history, employment history, relevant experiences, and publication list
- One educational or professional recommendation. Your application will be considered incomplete, and will not be reviewed until one recommendation is submitted.

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

**Application Deadline** 8/15/2023 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

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

**CDC Office and Location:** Two research opportunities are currently available with the Surveillance Branch of the Division of Violence Prevention (DVP) within the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control (NCIPC), at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in Atlanta, Georgia.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is one of the major operation components of the Department of Health and Human Services. CDC works to protect America from health, safety and security threats, both foreign and in the U.S. Whether diseases start at home or abroad, are chronic or acute, curable or preventable, human error or deliberate attack, CDC fights disease and supports communities and citizens to do the same.


**Research Project:** Violence is a widespread public health problem that impacts all of us and occurs in many forms, such as child abuse and neglect, child sexual abuse, youth violence, sexual violence, intimate partner violence, and elder abuse. For nearly 40 years, CDC's Division of Violence Prevention (DVP) has utilized and shared the best available data and conducted research to identify what works to prevent various forms of violence. DVP brings together partners and connects data, science, and action to inform the development, implementation, and sustainability of violence prevention strategies proven to be effective. This fellowship opportunity involves the fellow(s) gaining expertise in Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs). This fellowship sits within the Surveillance Branch on the Morbidity and Behavioral Surveillance Team.


ACEs are preventable, potentially traumatic events that occur in childhood (aged 0 - 17 years) such as neglect, experiencing or witnessing violence, and having a family member attempt or die by suicide. Also included are




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aspects of a child's environment that can undermine their sense of safety, stability, and bonding, such as growing up in a household with substance use, mental health problems, or instability due to parental separation or incarceration of a parent, sibling, or other member of the household. These examples do not comprise an exhaustive list of childhood adversity, as there are other traumatic experiences that could impact health and wellbeing. ACEs often occur together, can result in toxic stress, and are associated with a wide range of adverse behavioral, health, and social outcomes.

**Learning Objectives:** This research opportunity involves learning experiences for the participant relevant to ACEs surveillance and analyses across a variety of data sources. Under the guidance of a mentor, the participant(s) will receive training in the following:

- Synthesizing and interpreting the science base related to ACEs;
- Using advanced data management and data analysis skills to support public health surveillance of ACEs;
- Analyzing, interpreting, and disseminating ACEs surveillance data, including projects involving health equity;
- Providing input on key ACEs reports, papers, and other technical documents;
- Developing visually engaging and user-friendly public health products and resources, including materials that can help state, territorial, tribal, local and other partners utilize and translate data for prevention action;
- Engaging with and developing partner relationships.
- Supporting recipients of the Division's ACEs data to action cooperative agreement(s), including through provision of technical assistance and developing technical resources under the guidance of a mentor.

**Mentor(s):** The mentor for this opportunity is Kayla Anderson ([lx77@cdc.gov](mailto:lx77@cdc.gov)). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

**Anticipated Appointment Start Date:** August 1, 2023. Start date is flexible and will depend on a variety of factors.

**Appointment Length:** The appointment will initially be for one year, but may be renewed upon recommendation of CDC and is contingent on the availability of funds.

**Level of Participation:** The appointment is full-time.

**Participant Stipend:** The participant will receive a monthly stipend commensurate with educational level and experience.

**Citizenship Requirements:** This opportunity is available to U.S. citizens, Lawful Permanent Residents (LPR), and foreign nationals. Non-U.S. citizen applicants should refer to the [Guidelines for Non-U.S. Citizens Details](#) page of the program website for information about the valid immigration statuses that are acceptable for program participation.

**ORISE Information:** This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S.

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Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and CDC. Participants do not become employees of CDC, DOE or the program administrator, and there are no employment-related benefits. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE. Visit <http://orise.ornl.gov/cdc/applicants/default.html> for further information.

The successful applicant(s) will be required to comply with Environmental, Safety and Health (ES&H) requirements of the hosting facility, including but not limited to, COVID-19 requirements (e.g. facial covering, physical distancing, testing, vaccination).

**Questions:** Please visit our [Program Website](#). After reading, if you have additional questions about the application process please email [ORISE.CDC.NCIPC@ornl.gov](mailto:ORISE.CDC.NCIPC@ornl.gov) and include the reference code for this opportunity.

**Qualifications** The qualified candidate should have received a master's or doctoral degree in one of the relevant fields (e.g. Public Health, Social and Behavioral Sciences, Epidemiology), or be currently pursuing one of the degrees with completion before August 31, 2023. Degree must have been received within five years of the appointment start date.

**Preferred Skills:**

- Background and experience in surveillance, data collection, data management, and data analysis is strongly preferred.
- Expertise in maternal and child health; injury or violence; child development; child abuse and neglect or other ACEs; health equity; and/or the social-ecological model is preferred but not required.
- Exceptional oral and written communication skills are essential for interactions with partners at the national and/or state and local levels.
- Successful candidates will preferably be detail oriented, and have a strong interest in supporting collaborations and technical assistance to partners to prevent violence.
- Candidate's CV/resume preferably should demonstrate evidence of oral and written communication skills (e.g., papers, manuscripts, presentations) as well as the ability to manage and analyze data (e.g., data analysis skills acquired; data management or analysis experiences). In addition, the candidate's CV/resume should preferably demonstrate the ability to facilitate collaboration and feedback (e.g., conducting meetings, synthesizing and compiling information for reports or briefings).

Candidates must also be willing to travel and have a valid driver's license or other identification and documentation required for travel within the U.S.

- Eligibility Requirements**
- **Degree:** Master's Degree or Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 months or anticipated to be received by 8/31/2023 11:59:00 PM.
  - **Discipline(s):**
    - **Computer, Information, and Data Sciences** ([1](#))
    - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([6](#))

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- **Mathematics and Statistics** ([1](#))
- **Social and Behavioral Sciences** ([11](#))

**Affirmation** I certify that I have not previously been employed by CDC or by a contractor working directly for CDC. I understand that CDC does not permit individuals with a prior employment relationship with CDC or its contractors to participate as trainees in the ORISE program. (Exceptions may be granted for individuals who, since the previous CDC employment, have obtained a new STEM degree which necessitates training in a new field.)