

Opportunity Title: CDC Public Health Scientist

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Organization Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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- An application
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- 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.

If you have questions, send an email to ORISE.CDC.PHIC@orau.org. Please include the reference code for this opportunity in your email.

Application Deadline 4/22/2024 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

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

CDC Office and Location: A public health research opportunity is available with the Science and Evaluation Unit (SEU), Division of Partnership Support (DPS) within the National Center for STLT Public Health Infrastructure and Workforce, located at 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.

The DPS leverages partnerships to support CDC in developing the capacity of the public health system and state, tribal, local, and territorial departments of health to sustain and strengthen public health foundational, infrastructure, and workforce capabilities. The SEU sits in the Office of the Director in DPS. The function of the SEU is to make all division products and activities scientifically strong, clear, compelling, and leading to action. The DPS SEU promotes excellence in science and evaluation through data quality, scientific integrity, health equity, and innovation to advance public health priorities and outcomes.

Research Project: The participant will train with the Public Health Infrastructure Center, Division of Partnership Support, collaborating on projects with an evaluation and science quality and integrity focus.

Learning Objectives: The selected participant will train with public health program professionals in various roles and train in the following diverse



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activities:

- Participate in conducting literature review, research and evaluation planning, performance measurement, quantitative and qualitative survey design and administration, data collection, data quality assurance processes, data management, data analysis, and data dissemination.
- Act in partnership with public health professionals from in and outside of the agency to translate science into public health actions and results.
- Search, synthesize and interpret information relevant to public health.
- Identify and analyze public health issues and their impact on scientific operations that are critical to the public health community.
- Train in using scientific information to engage partners.
- Collect data and draft reports that will be used to assess and enhanced the effectiveness of the division's science clearance process.
- Collaborate on the development of manuscripts for publication.
- Train on strategic partnership engagement and communication with colleagues, key partners, and other public health professionals inside and outside the agency to identify and address public health issues related to partnership support.
- Train on assisting with the day-to-day operations of the Division of Partnership Support science and evaluation activities.

Mentor(s): The mentor for this opportunity is Jeniffer Concepcion (ypi5@cdc.gov). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

Anticipated Appointment Start Date: April 8, 2024. 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: Stipend rates may vary based on numerous factors, including opportunity, location, education, and experience. If you are interviewed, you can inquire about the exact stipend rate at that time and if selected, your appointment offer will include the monthly stipend rate.

Citizenship Requirements: This opportunity is available to U.S. citizens only.

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

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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.PHIC@orau.org 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. Degree must have been received within the past five years.

Preferred skills:

- Skills in public health research design, monitoring and evaluation planning and design, planning and implementation of science-based data collection activities (qualitative and quantitative) and data analysis.
- Strong science communication skills, both written and oral. Experience in logic modeling, strategic planning, program planning, and implementation science is desirable.

- Eligibility Requirements**
- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
 - **Degree:** Master's Degree or Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 month(s).
 - **Discipline(s):**
 - **Communications and Graphics Design** ([2](#))
 - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([51](#))
 - **Social and Behavioral Sciences** ([30](#))

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.)