

**Opportunity Title:** CDC Public Health Crisis Communication: Office of Emergency Risk Communication

**Opportunity Reference Code:** CDC-IOD-2024-0184A

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

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**How to Apply** *To submit your application, scroll to the bottom of this opportunity and click **APPLY**.*

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.

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

**CDC Office and Location:** A research opportunity is available in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) located 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:** Under the guidance of a mentor and other members of the Emergency Partners Information Connection (EPIC team), you will have the opportunity to learn the theories, principles, and practices involved in communicating urgently-needed health information during emergencies and crises. You will learn how communication activities can help non-clinical audiences be better prepared to face and overcome disaster situations. As partners are essential in helping CDC meet the needs of the people it serves, this learning opportunity will allow you to develop insights and skills regarding coordination and collaboration with partners.

**Learning Objectives:** Participants may have the opportunity to:

- Learn how CDC coordinates emergency-related information sharing and outreach efforts with partner organizations and target audiences using various channels
- Learn how to develop and clear emergency preparedness

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communications products and activities for partners and subscribers, which may include content for websites, fact sheets, success stories, newsletters, and articles

- Learn how to collaborate and coordinate with subject matter experts and other partners
- Learn the core functions of developing, maintaining and optimizing partnerships before, during and after a public health emergency response
- Participate in training activities to increase knowledge and skills associated with these activities

**Mentor(s):** The mentor for this opportunity is Lisa Briseno ([hsi0@cdc.gov](mailto:hsi0@cdc.gov)). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

**Anticipated Appointment Start Date: 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, 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. 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.

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.IOD@orau.org](mailto:ORISE.CDC.IOD@orau.org) and include the reference code for this opportunity.

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

**Preferred skills:**

- Knowledge of organizing information and writing in plain language are important skills for this opportunity.
- Multi-cultural interaction is also a highly valuable skill for this opportunity.

**Eligibility Requirements** • **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree or Master's Degree received within the last 60 month(s).

• **Discipline(s):**

- **Business** ([1](#))
- **Communications and Graphics Design** ([6](#))
- **Computer, Information, and Data Sciences** ([1](#))
- **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([3](#))
- **Mathematics and Statistics** ([1](#))
- **Other Non-Science & Engineering** ([8](#))
- **Social and Behavioral Sciences** ([15](#))

- **Veteran Status:** Veterans Preference, degree received within the last 120 month(s).

**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.)