

**Opportunity Title:** CDC Health Communications Research and Evaluation Fellowship

**Opportunity Reference Code:** CDC-NCIRD-2024-0218

**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 within the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), 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 mission of the [NCIRD](#) is the prevention of disease, disability, and death through immunization and by control of respiratory and related diseases.

**Research Project:** The objectives of this fellowship are to:

- Learn about immunization and vaccine issues through attending advisory committee meetings, relevant conferences, presentations, and staff meetings
- Develop and conduct audience research to better understand vaccine knowledge, attitudes, and practices throughout the lifespan
- Participate in communication activities to educate and inform audiences about vaccines and vaccine-preventable diseases across the lifespan, as well as non-vaccine preventable diseases within the scope of the Center's mission

**Learning Objectives:** Throughout the course of this research project, the participant will receive training in the NCIRD Office of Center



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Communication with activities such as:

- Contributing to needs assessments and literature reviews for target audiences
- Participating in the identification of gaps in existing materials and channels that reach target audiences
- Designing and developing qualitative and quantitative research and evaluation protocols and data collection instruments
- Conducting qualitative and quantitative data analysis
- Developing and/or editing messages and materials to address needs of specific populations based on these findings
- Developing presentations and manuscripts to present findings to internal and external stakeholders
- Learning about immunization and vaccine issues through attending advisory committee meetings, relevant conferences, presentations, and staff meetings

**Mentor(s):** The mentor for this opportunity is Allison Fisher ([ark2@cdc.gov](mailto:ark2@cdc.gov)). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

**Anticipated Appointment Start Date: January 1, 2025** 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.

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

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additional questions about the application process please email [ORISE.CDC.NCIRD@orau.org](mailto:ORISE.CDC.NCIRD@orau.org) and include the reference code for this opportunity.

**Qualifications** The qualified candidate should have received a master's degree in one of the relevant fields (public health [MPH]). Degree must have been received within the past five years.

**Preferred skills:**

- The candidate should demonstrate skills and/or coursework in the following areas:
  - Public health
  - Behavioral science
  - Health communication
  - Behavioral theory
  - Qualitative data analysis
  - Quantitative data analysis

- Eligibility Requirements**
- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
  - **Degree:** Master's Degree received within the last 60 month(s).
  - **Discipline(s):**
    - **Communications and Graphics Design** ([6](#) 👁)
    - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([1](#) 👁)
    - **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.)