



Region IV Public Health Training Center
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Region IV Public Health Training Center
Pathways to Practice Scholar Field Placement Program
Georgia – Summer Scholar Position

AGENCY: Georgia Department of Health – Coastal Health District
POSITION TITLE: Georgia Department of Public Health – Coastal Health District Intern
LOCATION: 400 Mall Blvd G, Savannah, GA 31406
AGENCY WEBSITE: www.sowega-ahec.org

NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE: 1

DESIRED START DATE: SUMMER – May 2020

* Interested students should apply as soon as possible. Applications are reviewed and considered in the order they are received. Submit to Michelle Carvalho at MLCARVA@emory.edu.

Note: To apply to more than one posting, submit separate applications specifying the position title in the subject line.

DESCRIPTION: The following position is offered as a field placement through the Region IV Public Health Training Center (<http://www.sph.emory.edu/r4phtc>).

The mission of the Coastal Health District and the County Boards of Health in Bryan, Camden, Chatham, Effingham, Glynn, Liberty, Long, and McIntosh counties is to improve the health of those who live, work, and play in those counties by preventing disease, injury and disability; promoting health and well-being; and preparing for and responding to disasters.

POSITION DESCRIPTION: The Chronic Disease Prevention Program is currently working on multiple health promotion and education projects. Utilizing the Blue Zones Power 9 Principles, an intern will assist the Chronic Disease Prevention Program in designing a worksite wellness program for Coastal Health District employees. They will also assist in outreach education events/sessions that address hypertension and diabetes prevention by providing community health screenings and delivering prevention education. The student may help with developing, synthesizing, and updating teaching material for health education programs. The team would need assistance to prioritize existing materials, add resources, and help create material appropriate for health literacy levels to teach participants how to better prevent or manage chronic disease.

THE STUDENT WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

1. Assess existing health education materials for worksite wellness, hypertension, and diabetes education
2. Find, develop, and/or update supplemental materials to fill gaps and needs
3. Compile program materials to fit the health literacy and culturally appropriate needs of the Coastal Health District populations served

PUBLIC HEALTH COMPETENCIES/SKILLS STUDENT MAY STRENGTHEN DURING PLACEMENT:

- 1) Program Planning
- 2) Community Dimensions of Practice
- 3) Problem Solving

- 4) Communication
- 5) Cultural Competency

HOUSING INFORMATION: Resources/contacts to search for their own rental housing.

POSITION TYPE: Region IV Public Health Training Center Field Placements (for MPH/MSPH students)

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY:

Candidates must be masters or doctoral level public health students. Students graduating in August 2020 can still apply, but must complete the program prior to graduation. [Past recipients of the Pathways to Practice Award are not eligible to apply again.](#)

Preferred, but not required - The ideal candidate for this internship would:

- 1) Have experience with developing and/or refining educational materials
- 2) Have experience and interest in chronic disease prevention: diabetes, physical activity, and/or nutrition education

Your cover letter should include the title of the position you are applying to and citizenship or permanent resident visa status. In your resume, include the name of your degree program, department, year of study (e.g. 1st year MPH student), and expected graduation date. Please send an unofficial transcript and a writing sample.

WORK AUTHORIZATION: U.S. Citizen, Permanent U.S. Resident

Citizenship statement: The Region IV Public Health Training Center is a federally-funded program which has a citizenship requirement. To be eligible to apply for this position, you must be either a U.S. citizen, a non-citizen U.S. national, or a foreign national having in your possession a visa permitting permanent residence in the U.S.

AWARD LEVEL: \$3500 award

* Note: travel costs will not be covered by the program beyond the total \$3500 award.

DURATION: Approximately 8-12 weeks; May-August 2020

APPROXIMATE HOURS PER WEEK: Approximately 20-40 hours

**Students may be limited in the minimum or maximum number of hours they can work per semester based on their university, school or degree's policies. If this work will be also be used as a graduation requirement, the student should verify those requirements and abide by their university policies.*

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Please read the "Student Scholar Field Placement Guidebook" for more details about the Pathways to Practice Scholars Program and requirements. It is located on the Field Placements page of the Region IV PHTC website: <http://www.sph.emory.edu/r4phtc>.

TO APPLY: Please submit the required documents following specifications above (unofficial transcript, resume, writing sample and cover letter indicating the agency name and citizenship/visa status) to:

Michelle Carvalho, MPH, MCHES® | Email: MLCARVA@emory.edu

When e-mailing your application, please use subject line "Applicant: GA_GDPH-Coastal Health District."

*PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY