



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

AGENCY: Mississippi State Department of Health

POSITION TITLE: MS - EMS Intern

LOCATION: 570 EAST WOODROW WILSON DRIVE, JACKSON, MS 39216

AGENCY WEBSITE: [HTTP://WWW.HEALTHYMS.COM](http://www.healthymississippi.com)

DESIRED START DATE: Summer start date depends on student availability.

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 Mississippi State Department of Health (MSDH) is to promote and protect the health of the citizens of the state of Mississippi.

POSITION DESCRIPTION:

Develop Data Quality and Performance Improvement Plan for Statewide Emergency Medical Services (EMS) System to better understand the challenges facing rural EMS in Mississippi and strengthen all EMS through assessment, leadership training, recruitment and retention education and quality activities.

THE STUDENT WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:

- 1) Conduct a survey of all ambulance services
- 2) Review EMS data from MEMSIS (MS EMS Information System) (Specifically, looking at quality of data, response and chute time, clinical performance of EMS workers, and clinical outcomes of patients EMS has cared for)
- 3) Produce a report of performance improvement findings
- 4) Develop a strategic plan for continued performance improvement

PUBLIC HEALTH COMPETENCIES/SKILLS STUDENT MAY STRENGTHEN DURING PLACEMENT:

- 1) Analytic/Assessment
- 2) Policy Development/Program Planning Skills
- 3) Communication
- 4) Public Health Science
- 5) Leadership and Systems Thinking

HOUSING INFORMATION: If the candidate is selected, the student is responsible to search for summer rental housing.

TRAVEL: Possible travel to State EMS Meetings and local agencies

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

QUALIFICATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS:

Preferred Skills: database management, database reporting writing

Required: Knowledge of Emergency Medical Services, knowledge data collection and analysis, knowledge of performance improvement

REQUIREMENTS TO APPLY:

Candidates must be masters-level graduate public health students from accredited schools and programs of public health located in Region IV PHTC states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, Tennessee, and South Carolina.

Students graduating before August 2016 are not eligible for this position.

Your cover letter should include the agency name and citizenship or visa status.

Interested students should include an unofficial transcript.

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: \$1500 AWARD

* NOTE: STUDENT HOUSING AND TRAVEL COSTS WILL NOT BE COVERED BY THE PROGRAM BEYOND THE TOTAL \$1500 AWARD.

DURATION: May-August 2016**APPROXIMATE HOURS PER WEEK:** Negotiable (depends on student availability)

**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 practicum experience, the student should verify those requirements. Students should 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>.

CONTACT INFORMATION: Please submit the required documents including a resume and cover letter indicating the agency name and citizenship/visa status to:

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* PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE AGENCY DIRECTLY