



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

**AGENCY:** Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness

**POSITION TITLE:** Suicide Prevention Intern

**LOCATION:** 400 E. Gray Street, Louisville, KY, 40202

**AGENCY WEBSITE:** <https://louisvilleky.gov/government/health-wellness>

**NUMBER OF POSITIONS AVAILABLE:** 1

**DESIRED START DATES:** Summer - May 2019

\* Interested students should apply as soon as possible. Applications are reviewed and considered in the order they are received. Submit to [lmphwinterns@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:lmphwinterns@louisvilleky.gov).

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 Louisville Metro Department of Public Health and Wellness (LMPHW) is an accredited independent health department under the leadership of Director/Chief Health Strategist Sarah Moyer, MD, MPH. We deliver programs and services primarily through two sections: Health Operations & Center for Health Equity (CHE). Health Operations includes the Clinical/Health Services Division, Environmental Health Division, Office of Emergency & Public Health Preparedness, Laboratory Services, and Leadership, Development, & Administration. The Center for Health Equity contains Partnerships, Performance, and Policy & Innovation. CHE aims to achieve equity in the social determinants of health throughout Metro Louisville using a "Health in All Policies" approach.

**POSITION DESCRIPTION:** This project would support the work of the Louisville Health Advisory Board's (LHAB) Behavioral Health Committee in the focus area of suicide. LHAB would like to expand community wide efforts to targeted efforts for suicide prevention using local suicide data. The student would be responsible for the data collection and dissemination to LHAB group.

**THE STUDENT WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO:**

1. Analyze Louisville suicide trend data.
2. Analyze Louisville suicide data across demographic categories.
3. Research psychological assessment tools based on groups of similar demographics and seek ways to implement this with LHAB.
4. Create a report on findings.

The student will be given a workspace (i.e. desk, computer) and building access (i.e. badge) for the duration of the internship.

**PUBLIC HEALTH COMPETENCIES/SKILLS STUDENT MAY STRENGTHEN DURING PLACEMENT:**

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| 1) Policy Development/Engagement | 3) Public Health Science            |
| 2) Analytic/Assessment           | 4) Community Dimensions of Practice |

**TRAVEL:** No travel is required for this position.

**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 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 in August 2019 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.

Required qualifications for students include:

1. Strong research abilities
2. Must take initiative
3. Ability to work in group settings
4. Knowledge of common databases

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. 1<sup>st</sup> year MPH student), and expected graduation date. Please send 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 that 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 12 weeks

**APPROXIMATE HOURS PER WEEK:** Approximately 20 hours (200-400 total 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, and cover letter indicating the agency name and citizenship/visa status) to:

Billie Castle, PhD, MPH - Academic Health Coordinator

[lmphwinterns@louisvilleky.gov](mailto:lmphwinterns@louisvilleky.gov)



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