

## Public Health Workforce Development Internship Program

### Community Health Internships - Fall 2024

**Worksite:** *Dorchester County Health Department*

**Location:** *Cambridge, MD (Dorchester County)*

**Title:** *Dorchester County Climate and Health Intern*

**Main Purpose:**

The Dorchester County Climate and Health internship is perfect for a recent college graduate from an accredited school of public health or individuals pursuing their master's in related fields (public health, epidemiology, environmental sciences).

You'll gain valuable resume experience and build a wealth of public health and environmental health knowledge and health education skills.

Our Dorchester County Climate & Health intern will be part of our Emergency Preparedness Team and will be responsible for helping to create our local Climate and Health Action Plan, tailor educational materials related to climate change and communicable disease, and gain extensive customer service and community outreach experience.

Ultimately, the Dorchester County Climate and Health intern will help Dorchester County design health education materials and public health communication campaigns related to climate and health that individuals have to come to expect from the Dorchester County Health Department.

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**Worksite:** *Cancer and Chronic Disease Bureau*

**Location:** *Baltimore, MD (Baltimore City)*

**Title:** *Cancer and Chronic Disease Intern*

**Main Purpose:**

The Cancer and Chronic Disease Bureau (CCDB) oversees the healthy living and diabetes messaging and outreach for the Department. Diabetes affects more than 500,000 Maryland adults. More than 1.8 million Maryland adults are thought to have prediabetes, with less than 20% being told by their healthcare provider. Being overweight or obese is one of the largest risk factors for diabetes, prediabetes, and other chronic diseases. Promoting healthy lifestyles, healthy eating, and physical activity will improve chronic disease outcomes in Maryland. The CCDB Communications and Outreach Intern will assist with prediabetes and diabetes

prevention communication and outreach as well as healthy living communication and outreach for the Department, to increase awareness of the benefits of healthy living for people, especially those at risk for prediabetes, diabetes, and other chronic diseases.

Tasks will involve but are not limited to, distribution of the Diabetes Parent Flyer, including finalizing the list of target organizations for distribution, identifying points of contact within these organizations and continuous follow-up with contacts about the flyer; developing a list of outreach events across the state where CCDB may participate to build awareness of healthy lifestyles and diabetes/prediabetes awareness; represent CCDB at outreach events during the life of the internship; assist in the development of targeted communication assets to young adults aged 12-18 on the risks of being overweight and obese and steps they can take now to reduce their risk; attend Communication and Outreach related virtual meetings with the CCDB Communication Specialist; and any other duties as assigned. The internship will provide an overview of public health outreach and communication processes, expand the intern's knowledge of the benefits of healthy lifestyles and positive lifestyle/behavior changes on chronic diseases such as diabetes, prediabetes, Alzheimer's and dementia, and heart disease, and help make a positive difference in the health of Marylanders.

Candidates should have analytical skills as well as strong writing and communication skills.

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**Worksite:** *PHPA, Office of Oral Health*

**Location:** *Baltimore, MD (Baltimore City)*

**Title:** *Office of Oral Health Intern*

**Main Purpose:**

Our Public Health Workforce Development intern will be part of our Office of Oral Health (OOH) team and responsible for helping to create content for and evaluate current and future OOH programs such as Community Water Fluoridation, Oral Disease Injury Prevention (ODIP), Obesity Screening in the Dental, and School Dental Sealants. The intern will also assist with creating policy drafts, reports, whitepapers, data charts/diagrams, project summaries, and grant proposals. Some of these duties may need to be performed in person. Ultimately, the Public Health Intern will help the Office of Oral Health to continue to accomplish its mission to improve the oral health of Maryland residents through a variety of public oral health initiatives and interventions.

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**Worksite:** *Maryland Primary Care Program (MDPCP) - Management Office*

**Location:** *Baltimore, MD (Baltimore City)*

**Title:** *Healthcare Transformation Intern - Public Health Integration*

**Main Purpose:**

Our Public Health Integration Healthcare Transformation intern will be part of our Maryland Primary Care Program Management Office and be responsible for helping contribute to the existing respiratory virus mitigation supports that are offered to primary care practices, as well as work to identify areas for expansion and assist with ensuring primary care providers have adequate information and resources to respond to respiratory viruses in the fall. Ultimately, the Public Health Integration Healthcare Transformation Intern will help identify areas for opportunity in this workstream and assist with developing a plan for primary care providers to care for patients experiencing respiratory viruses.

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**Worksite:** *Infectious Disease Prevention and Health Services Bureau*

**Location:** *Baltimore, MD (Baltimore City)*

**Title:** *National Health and Wellness Community Education Intern*

**Main Purpose:**

The National Health and Wellness Community Education Intern will do projects promoting various health initiatives aligning with national health and wellness days and months. This intern will use data tools (i.e., epi and surveillance resources) to identify health impact and informational needs; identify and partner with clinical and community-based professional staff and/or lived experience resources; plan, coordinate, and implement online education forums to present the targeted health observance days, months, or interest areas. This intern will work with the Office of Faith-Based and Community Partnerships.

Projects will utilize virtual platforms to provide 2 – 3 educational forums highlighting clinical and community services and resources. The purpose of community education is to develop the capacity of individuals and groups to improve their quality of life. The project will focus on one or more of the *Ten Principles of Community Education*: Lifelong Learning, Self-determination, Self-help, Leadership Development, Institutional Responsiveness, Integrated Delivery of Services, Localization, Maximum use of Resources, Inclusiveness, and Access to Public Information

This project will seek to drive awareness, enhance education, and facilitate access. At a minimum, the project will promote professional and/or lived experience, historical context, and population-specific epi data, and provide links for resources and services.

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**Worksite:** *Dorchester County Health Department*

**Location:** *Cambridge, MD (Dorchester County)*

**Title:** *Assistant Coordinator of Community Services Intern*

**Main Purpose:**

The Assistant Coordinator of Community Services internship is perfect for a current college student or a recent college graduate. You'll gain valuable resume experience and build your targeted case management and program administration skills. Our Assistant Coordinator of Community Services intern will be part of our Dorchester County Health Department CCS team and responsible for helping track performance metrics and complete other administrative duties based upon the needs of the program. Ultimately, the Assistant Coordinator of Community Services intern will help manage programmatic data related to program performance.

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**Worksite:** *Baltimore County Health Department*

**Location:** *Towson, MD (Baltimore County)*

**Title:** *Division of Chronic Disease Prevention Intern*

**Main Purpose:**

Under general supervision, this intern compiles, reviews, and analyzes data for the Division of Chronic Disease Prevention. This intern reviews existing programs, researches best practices, and makes data-driven recommendations for updates to programs. This intern attends community meetings and events and participates in the engagement of target populations. This intern also assists in the development of health education materials and provides health education to the community. This intern performs other related duties as required.