



# INFORMATIONAL CALL

Funding for Student Field Placements and Collaborative Projects

March 22, 2024

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## Region V Public Health Training Center



*We seek to advance the skills of the current and **future** public health workforce to improve population health outcomes.*

Student field placements and collaborative projects allow students to collaborate with practice agencies on capacity building projects that support their work in addressing the social determinants of health.

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## Who should consider applying?

### Students with...

- A defined project at a placement site
  - Placement begins May 2024
- An unpaid or underpaid\* opportunity
- Who meet the eligibility criteria

### ...are encouraged to apply!

*\*We define underpaid as an hourly wage of \$15/hour or less or a stipend of \$3500 or less.*

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## Eligibility Criteria

- Health professions student (public health, nursing, social work, psychology, sociology)
  - Tribal Community College students enrolled in a health professions degree program (e.g. allied health, CHW) are eligible
- Undergraduate juniors or seniors, masters students, and doctoral students
- US citizens, nationals, or permanent residents of US\*
- Cannot receive funding more than once

*\*DACA recipients and international students with work/research/student visas are not eligible for these federal funds.*

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## Placement Site and Project Priorities

- Medically underserved community and/or rural area
- Preference for governmental public health sites
- Projects designed to enhance public health services and/or address the social determinants of health
  
- Project duration: typically last 3+ months
- Hours minimum:
  - Undergrad: 150 hours
  - Graduate: 200 hours



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## Project Types

### Field Placements

- Individual students
- Projects done with a public health organization located in or serving a medically underserved community
- Builds organizational capacity to address social determinants of health

### Collaborative Projects

- Projects are similar in type and setting as field placement projects
- Involve individual or groups of students
- **Include faculty involvement**

*For MPH students at CEPH-accredited institutions, it is possible that these activities could help fulfill their Applied Practice Experience requirement. Either type of experience might also fulfill an internship requirement per their institution's guidelines.*

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## Program Requirements

- **Student Evaluations (4)**

- Baseline
- Mid-point
- Post
- 1-year follow-up

- **HRSA Deliverable (1)**

- Scientific poster
- Scientific report



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## Summer CoP Programming

- **Community of Practice (CoP):**

- Has a shared concern, passion, and purpose
- Opportunity to learn from peers and improve current practices
- Works together to solve common problems in certain focus areas

- All program components occur virtually or are available online, and consist of:

- **Live sessions (4)**

- Orientation and Entering/Exiting Communities - May 15 from 12-1:30pm ET
- Practice Panel & Networking - June 17 from 11am-12pm ET
- Professionalism & Adaptive Skills Workshop - July 30 from 12-2pm ET
- Reflection and Next Steps - August TBD (date/time will be available soon)

- **Asynchronous (self-paced) programming (Optional)**

- Mini-tutorials
- Other recorded, curated training

- **"Virtual coffee chat" networking opportunities**

*Students who participate in and complete the evaluation for at least three out of four live sessions, attend at least one out of two virtual coffee chats, and complete the required deliverable and surveys, will earn a certificate of completion.*

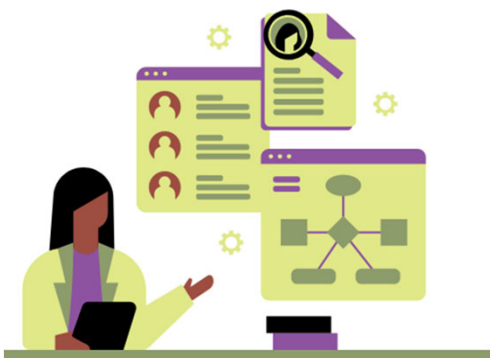
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## Benefits of Funding and Programming Support

### Stipend

- \$3,500 per student\*
- Paid in 2 installments of \$1,750 each at start and end of project

*\*A student may receive a stipend only once.*



### Public Health and Professional Development

- Put theory into practice
- Opportunity to build knowledge and skills
- Live sessions and recorded material
- Networking - make connections, share with peers

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## Application Information & Timeline

- Applications opened: March 4, 2024
  - **Apply here:** <https://www.rvphtc.org/student-projects/>
  - *NOTE: You will need to upload a letter of confirmation from your site preceptor.*
- **Application period closes:** 11:59pm EST on Sun., April 14, 2024
- **Review of applications:** April 15 - 30
  - Two individuals will review each application using a rubric, scoring for eligibility and thoroughness of completion
- **Notifications of accepted applications:** Weds., May 1, 2024

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