

**Research Participation Program
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Office of Workforce and Career Development
Training Services Division
Atlanta, GA**

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A project is available in the Career Paths to Public Health Program (CPP), Training Services Division (TSD), within of the Office of Workforce and Career Development at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Georgia.

The primary objective of this project is planning, implementing and conducting evaluation activities for the Science Ambassador Program and the Science Olympiad tournaments. The fellowship will provide an opportunity for the fellow to receive hands-on experience in producing evidence-based educational program materials and tools to introduce and engage science educators to public health science and epidemiology education through training experience including curricula development for K-12 student populations. Fellow will have additional opportunities including evaluating products and services to identify best practice models and assess impact of existing portfolio of educational activities and training methodologies and materials.

Responsibilities

The participant shall assist in developing and implementing evaluation activities within TSD, including those related to training and technical assistance for CPP programs and partners, conducting evaluation research, translation/dissemination of evaluation products, and building collaboration. The participant may be involved in activities such as the following:

Training: Assist in the development and implementation of CPP's annual training for science educators—Science Ambassador—including the identification of workshop topics in the discipline of public health (and epidemiology), development of workshop materials, provision of logistical support, and assistance in conducting workshop sessions.

Technical Assistance: Provide support to CPP team in technical assistance activities for state programs and partners, including assistance with monthly Science Education meetings/teleconferences with agency wide subject matter experts and other public health professional, development of guidance on various programmatic or evaluation topics, development of a compendium, with accompanying logic models, of best practice models in science education and pedagogy, training, and marketing and outreach to multiple target audiences and academic populations (students, educators, parents, guidance counselors and other influencers).

Evaluation Research: Serve as a team member on evaluation research currently being conducted within CPP programmatic portfolio, including participating in scheduled meetings and teleconferences with staff, contractors, partners and stakeholders providing input into program and evaluation research design and implementation, reviewing materials and products generated through research activities, participating in data collection and analysis, and assisting in the development of reports and articles from evaluation research.

Collaboration: Develop and maintain relationships with CPP staff and internal and external partners to share approaches, tools and resources; Assist in providing support and technical assistance on program and concomitant evaluation and assessment.

Requirements

Candidates should have obtained within the last 5 years, a bachelor's degree in education, training and instruction, communication, science or related field at a minimum, with some teaching experience. Master's degree in Public Health or in Health Education preferred.

The appointment is for one year and may be renewed upon recommendation of CDC and subject to availability of funds. The participant will receive a monthly annual stipend depending on background and experience. The participant must show proof of health and medical insurance. The appointment is full time at CDC in the Atlanta, Georgia, area. Participants do not become employees of CDC or the program administrator and there are no fringe benefits paid.

The Research Participation for CDC is administered by the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education. To be considered, send a current resume, letter of current and future research interests and sample publication to Tasha Powell, via email at Tasha.Powell@ornl.gov or via fax at (865) 241-5219. Please reference Project # CDC- OWCD-2009-0030. For additional program information refer to <http://www.ornl.gov/cdc>.