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## Overview

The Office of Nuclear Incident Policy and Cooperation (NA-81) works to develop policy and provide targeted emergency preparedness through training, to counter and respond to radiological & nuclear incidents & threats. Through their work, I learned and now understand why NA-81 is essential, as their efforts help ensure global security.



Meagan at the Pikes Peak "Silent Thunder" Tabletop exercise with her mentor, Paloma Richard.

*"After I completed my graduate degree in public health and started my internship at NNSA, it never occurred to me just how broad public health can be; it is more than just health, it's the duty to ensure appropriate planning and education on policies regarding emergency preparedness and response to a radiological or nuclear incident."*

## Outcomes

Having the opportunity to travel domestically with some of the federal employees in my office was great, as I observed the utilization and training of our nuclear detection equipment with our international partners. Also, I attended a training where representatives from EMS, law enforcement, medical and federal government agencies exercised their capabilities in crisis management and emergency response against a fictional WMD terrorism incident.

I enjoyed going into the office because I was able to network with most of the professionals that worked at headquarters (in-person & remote). Putting myself out there to experience things out of my "comfort" zone was very beneficial for me, because I was able to break through my personal barriers and learn new skills to advance self-growth and professional growth within the federal government and my leadership career.



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