The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in collaboration with the Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE), the Association of State Health Officials (ASTHO), the Public Health Informatics Institute (PHII), and the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health (ASPPH), has established this Fellowship to train recent graduates in the expanding field of applied public health informatics. The goal of the Fellowship is to provide a high quality training experience and to secure long-term career placement for Fellows at the state or local level.

**Mission:** To meet the nation’s ongoing need for applied public health informatics workforce capacity in state and local health departments through a national fellowship training program.

The fellowship’s three key concepts are to:
- Strengthen capacity in applied public health informatics across public health agencies
- Provide service to the sponsoring agency
- Create and train a core group of public health workers

**OVERVIEW**

The Applied Public Health Informatics Fellowship offers an opportunity for recent graduates to acquire and develop public health informatics skills during a high quality, on-the-job training program in public health practice. Fellows work closely with highly trained and experienced informaticists, epidemiologists and public health practitioners at the state and local level, as well as with those working at the federal level with the CDC.

Program participants will develop a comprehensive set of core skills through applied competency-based training and experiences. At the end of the Fellowship, graduates will have an accelerated training in practical public health informatics. Fellows will receive a stipend, health insurance allowance, and professional development funding.

**APHIF Core Competencies**

Through the training and on-the-job projects and activities, Fellows will become proficient in the APHIF core competencies in public health informatics:

1. Analysis, Assessment and Evaluation
2. Communication
3. Community Dimensions of Practice
4. Public Health Sciences
5. Leadership and Systems Thinking

**Mentor and Host Health Agency**

Each Applied Public Health Informatics Fellow is assigned to a designated host health agency and two highly trained and experienced mentors (primary and secondary mentors). Host health agencies are approved, with demonstrated capacity to provide a Fellow with technical training, applied research opportunities, and opportunities for experience in the application of public health informatics in a practical setting.

For more information about APHIF, please visit www.aphif.org.