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Organization U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS)

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How to Apply A complete application consists of:

- An application
- Transcripts – [Click here for detailed information about acceptable transcripts](#)
- A current resume/CV, including academic history, employment history, relevant experiences, and publication list
- Two educational or professional references

All documents must be in English or include an official English translation.

If you have questions, send an email to HHSrpp@orau.org. Please include the reference code for this opportunity in your email.

Description A fellowship opportunity is available in the Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion's (ODPHP) Division of Health Care Quality within the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health (OASH), Office of the Secretary (OS), at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) in Rockville, MD. The participant will gain professional experience in a health policy setting.

OASH provides leadership to the nation on public health and science matters, and communicates on these subjects to the American people. OASH is a Staff Division in HHS that performs both policy and program roles and is led by the Assistant Secretary for Health (ASH), whose chief mission is promoting, protecting, and improving the nation's health. For additional information, please visit: <http://www.hhs.gov/ash/>.

ODPHP has been leading the alignment of disease prevention and health promotion activities across the department for more than 30 years. Within ODPHP, the Health Care Quality Division coordinates departmental efforts to reduce preventable adverse health care-associated conditions, most notably health care-associated infections (HAIs) and adverse drug events (ADEs). Recently, the division has undertaken research aimed at reducing racial/ethnic and other disparities (e.g., geographical, health literacy, primary language, socioeconomic status) in preventable adverse health care-associated outcomes, including HAIs, ADEs and 30-day readmissions. Visit <http://health.gov/hcq/> to learn more about key projects and initiatives supported by the Division of Health Care Quality.

Under the guidance of a mentor, opportunities may include:

- Coordinating departmental efforts to enhance patient safety, including prevention of health care-associated infections and adverse drug events.
- Supporting and helping coordinate cross-federal efforts related to key patient safety topics, including active support of Partnership for Patients (PfP) and the new Transforming Clinical Practice Initiative (TCPI).
- Assisting in the development of communication materials (articles,



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talking points, presentations) related to ADEs and other health care-associated conditions.

The Research Participation Program for HHS is administered by the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE). The appointment is for one year and may be renewed upon recommendation of HHS and subject to availability of funds. The participant will receive a monthly stipend depending on educational level and experience. The participant must show proof of health insurance. The appointment is full-time in the Rockville, MD, area. Participants do not become employees of HHS or the program administrator, and there are no fringe benefits paid.

Qualifications A medical degree, PhD/DrPH, MPH, or a closely related field received within the last five years. Applicants with a Bachelor’s degree received within the last five years are also encouraged to apply, provided they have relevant public health academic or work experience in addition to the degree.

Preference will be given to candidates with experience working in a public health environment and experience in improving health care quality.

- Eligibility Requirements**
- **Degree:** Master's Degree or Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 month(s).
 - **Discipline(s):**
 - **Environmental and Marine Sciences** ([1](#)👁)
 - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([45](#)👁)