

Opportunity Title: Surveillance Strategy Communications Fellowship - CDC

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Organization Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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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 CDCCrpp@orau.org. Please include the reference code for this opportunity in your email.

Application Deadline 4/29/2016 1:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

Description A fellowship opportunity is available with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Office of Public Health Scientific Services (OPHSS), Office of the Director (OD), in Atlanta Georgia.

To address the public health need identified by CDC and its stakeholders, CDC requested and received funding in FY16 to fund a new investment to modernize our systems by designing, developing and adopting a single, web-based data collection information technology platform. This integrated platform will support public health surveillance data collection, analysis and dissemination efforts across the agency and with our public health partners. This new investment will provide the following benefits for CDC surveillance programs: improve the timeliness and quality of data received electronically by CDC and made available to CDC public health programs; improve the cost efficiency of developing and maintaining surveillance activities; reduce the number of independent, stand-alone programs; reduce the reporting burden on external partners to share public health data and information with CDC; and reduce the length of time from determining surveillance data of interest, receiving data electronically, provisioning to programs and being able to act with data.

This integrated CDC surveillance platform will provide the



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environment and infrastructure for the CDC to create shared services and integrate them into surveillance functions. The platform will enable programs to focus more on public health practice and science while reusing the effective technology, tools and services developed on the platform.

The selected Fellow will assist the OPHSS Director and Chief Public Health Informatics Officer and the Management Officer to communicate the science of the surveillance strategy, related publications, reports and websites. The fellow will participate in scientific and programmatic discussions and will translate information to communication tools that will be available to CDC and outside stakeholders. The fellow will also assist with stakeholder online community coordination and social media. The fellow will also support relevant activities when appropriate.

The Fellow will participate in scientific communication development, integrated surveillance platform communications and web communications. Familiarity with the surveillance systems across CDC and the interoperability or lack of interoperability of the systems throughout the public health community will be a priority.

The fellow will gain experience by:

- Learning about the CDC surveillance systems
- Researching the need for a public health integrated system
- Communicating scientific and public health information
- Evaluating communication impact and information dissemination

This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education, was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and CDC. The initial appointment is for one year, but may be renewed upon recommendation of CDC contingent on the availability of funds. The participant will receive a monthly stipend commensurate with educational level and experience. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. 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.




Qualifications Applicants may be undergraduate, graduate or doctoral students in communications/health sciences, informatics, and/or health systems evaluation, or related field or may have completed their degree within five years of the start date of the appointment, or expect to complete all requirements for such a degree prior to starting the fellowship.

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The position will require data analysis and research skills, presentation and writing skills using various methods and mediums including SharePoint, wikis, blog, and web content management systems.

**Eligibility
Requirements**

- **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree, or Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 month(s).
- **Academic Level(s):** Graduate Students, Post-Bachelor's, Postdoctoral, Post-Master's, or Undergraduate Students.
- **Discipline(s):**
 - **Communications and Graphics Design** (6 )
 - **Computer, Information, and Data Sciences** (2 )
 - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** (2 )