

**Opportunity Title:** CDC's NCIRD Public Health Internship Program (PHIP) - Long COVID Research Fellowship

**Opportunity Reference Code:** CDC-NCIRD-2024-0245

**Organization** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

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**How to Apply** *To submit your application, scroll to the bottom of this opportunity and click 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
- One educational or professional recommendation. Your application will be considered incomplete, and will not be reviewed until one recommendation is submitted.

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

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**Application Deadline** 1/17/2025 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

**Description** \*Applications will be reviewed on a rolling-basis.

**CDC Office and Location:** A fellowship opportunity is available within the Chief Medical Officer's Long COVID Unit within the Office of the Director (OD) in the [National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases \(NCIRD\)](#) at the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention \(CDC\)](#) in Atlanta, Georgia. **This opportunity can be part-time or full-time and is eligible for 100% remote participation within 50 miles radius of the appointment location.**

CDC is one of the major operations components of the Department of Health and Human Services. CDC works to protect America from health, safety, and security threats, both foreign and in the U.S. The mission of NCIRD is the prevention of disease, disability, and death through immunization and by control of respiratory and related diseases. Within NCIRD's Office of the Director, is the Chief Medical Officer's Long COVID Unit which serves as the focal point for medical issues within NCIRD including Long COVID and for the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices.

**Research Project:** Long COVID, new or worsening symptoms lasting for at least three months after SARS-CoV-2 infection, is a multifaceted and complex disease state. The Long COVID Unit (LCU) in NCIRD supports the whole-of-government approach to studying and addressing Long COVID. The LCU works closely with divisions across CDC and agencies across the U.S. Government. Part of this approach includes attending and participating



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in all seven of the HHS Long COVID workgroups. Each of these workgroups focuses on a different issue, (e.g., Behavioral Health; Clinical Practice, Coverage, Access, and Payment; and Data and Surveillance) and all are working toward producing Long COVID deliverables aimed at helping patients, providers, and payors with a focus on health equity.

LCU is seeking a motivated candidate who will attend and help in one or more workgroups as a fellow. The candidate will also provide support to the CDC Long COVID unit and workgroup and collaborate with mentors to develop an individual project of interest. Additional activities will be based on the fellow's area(s) of interest, training, and experience and the mission of the NCIRD.

**Learning Objectives:** The activities listed below represent the minimum training opportunities that the fellow may complete:

- Attend monthly workgroup meetings and research seminars.
- Develop a greater understanding of the role of public health in addressing Long COVID.
- Develop an understanding of CDC operations and clearance.
- Collaborate and coordinate with internal and external partners to address gaps in Long COVID research, care, and management.
- Support activities that expand the whole-of-government approach to addressing Long COVID.
- Collaborate directly with subject matter experts to develop products to increase Long COVID awareness and further education efforts.
- Draft and edit at least one, short research summaries, one-pager, presentations, or external facing update.

**Mentor(s):** The mentor for this opportunity is Priti Patel ([pgp0@cdc.gov](mailto:pgp0@cdc.gov)). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

**Anticipated Appointment Start Date:** March 10, 2025. Start date is flexible and will depend on a variety of factors.

**Appointment Length:** The appointment will initially be for six months, but may be renewed upon recommendation of CDC and is contingent on the availability of funds.

**Level of Participation:** The appointment is full time.

**Participant Stipend:** Stipend rates may vary based on numerous factors, including opportunity, location, education, and experience. If you are interviewed, you can inquire about the exact stipend rate at that time and if selected, your appointment offer will include the monthly stipend rate.

**Citizenship Requirements:** This opportunity is available to U.S. citizens, Lawful Permanent Residents (LPR), and foreign nationals. Non-U.S. citizen applicants should refer to the [Guidelines for Non-U.S. Citizens Details page](#) of the program website for information about the valid immigration statuses that are acceptable for program participation.

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**ORISE Information:** This program, administered by ORAU through its contract with the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to manage the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE), was established through an interagency agreement between DOE and CDC. Participants do not become employees of CDC, DOE or the program administrator, and there are no employment-related benefits. Proof of health insurance is required for participation in this program. Health insurance can be obtained through ORISE.

The successful applicant(s) will be required to comply with Environmental, Safety and Health (ES&H) requirements of the hosting facility, including but not limited to, COVID-19 requirements (e.g. facial covering, physical distancing, testing, vaccination).

**Questions:** Please visit our [Program Website](#). After reading, if you have additional questions about the application process please email [ORISE.CDC.NCIRD@orau.org](mailto:ORISE.CDC.NCIRD@orau.org) and include the reference code for this opportunity.

**Qualifications** The qualified candidate should have received a bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree in one of the relevant fields. Degree must have been received within the past five years.

**Preferred skills:**

- Analytical/assessment skills
- Project/Program Management and organization
- Communication (oral/written)
- Applied public health practice
- Leadership and systems thinking
- Policy development and program planning

**Point of Contact** [Michele Morrison](#)

- Eligibility Requirements**
- **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree, or Doctoral Degree received within the last 60 month(s).
  - **Discipline(s):**
    - **Chemistry and Materials Sciences** ([12](#) 👁)
    - **Communications and Graphics Design** ([2](#) 👁)
    - **Computer, Information, and Data Sciences** ([17](#) 👁)
    - **Earth and Geosciences** ([21](#) 👁)
    - **Engineering** ([27](#) 👁)
    - **Environmental and Marine Sciences** ([14](#) 👁)
    - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** ([51](#) 👁)
    - **Mathematics and Statistics** ([11](#) 👁)
    - **Physics** ([16](#) 👁)
    - **Science & Engineering-related** ([2](#) 👁)
    - **Social and Behavioral Sciences** ([29](#) 👁)

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**Affirmation** I certify that I have not previously been employed by CDC or by a contractor working directly for CDC. I understand that CDC does not permit individuals with a prior employment relationship with CDC or its contractors to participate as trainees in the ORISE program. (Exceptions may be granted for individuals who, since the previous CDC employment, have obtained a new STEM degree which necessitates training in a new field.)