Opportunity Title: CDC Regulatory Impact Analysis for Public Health Policy
Opportunity Reference Code: CDC-2026-0114

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 11/20/2026 3:00:00 PM Eastern Time Zone

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

CDC Office and Location: A research opportunity is available in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), located in Atlanta, Georgia.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) is one of the major operation components of the Department of Health and Human Services. CDC protects America from health, safety and security threats, both foreign and in the U.S. Whether diseases start at home or abroad, are chronic or acute, curable or preventable, human error or deliberate attack, CDC fights disease and supports communities and citizens to do the same. CDC increases the health security of our nation. As the nation's health protection agency, CDC saves lives and protects people from health threats. To accomplish its mission, CDC conducts important science and provides health information that protects our nation against expensive and dangerous health threats, and responds when these arise.

Research Project: This research project provides a mentored educational opportunity to learn about regulatory and economic impact assessments related to federal programs in the biosafety and biosecurity domains. Through research and training activities, you will gain experience with economic cost-benefit, utility, and effectiveness analyses associated with public health preparedness initiatives and federal regulatory processes. You will participate in cross-disciplinary learning experiences with agency professionals to better understand how economic and regulatory analyses inform public health policy considerations. The fellowship also includes opportunities to present and discuss analytical methods, emerging developments, and research findings with agency audiences while strengthening your ability to communicate complex economic and regulatory concepts in a clear and evidence-informed manner.

Learning Objectives: Under the guidance of mentors with expertise in economics and public health policy, you will learn approaches used in regulatory impact analyses related to federal rulemaking and public health policy initiatives. You will gain experience interpreting economic

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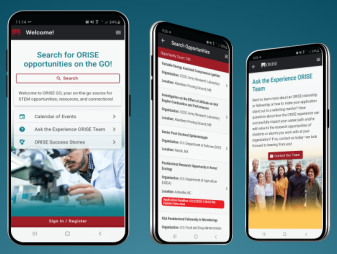

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and policy data, applying analytical methods used in regulatory and preparedness research, and communicating findings to diverse scientific and public health audiences. Through participation in these research activities, you will strengthen your understanding of how economic analysis contributes to evidence-informed public health decision-making and policy development.

Mentor(s): The mentor for this opportunity is Christopher De La Motte Hurst (jje7@cdc.gov). If you have questions about the nature of the research please contact the mentor(s).

Anticipated Appointment Start Date: November 2, 2026. Start date is flexible and will depend on a variety of factors.

Appointment Length: The appointment will initially be for one year year, 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 only.

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.

Questions: Please visit our Program Website. After reading, if you have additional questions about the application process please email CDCrpp@orau.org and include the reference code for this opportunity.

Qualifications

The qualified candidate should be currently pursuing or have received a bachelor's or master's degree in the one of the relevant fields. Degree must have been received within the past five years, or anticipated to be received by 5/31/2027.

Preferred skills:

- An interest in learning methods used to evaluate the economic and public health implications of proposed regulations
- Some exposure to cost-benefit and cost-effectiveness analysis techniques
- An interest in developing an understanding of the federal rulemaking process and how analysis informs policy decisions
- Previous history of cross disciplinary collaboration explore the connection between economic analysis and public health

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- Persons with knowledge of programming languages (Python, R and/or SAS) would be preferred

Stipend $5,439.24 – $5,439.25 Monthly

Point of Contact Rachel

Eligibility Requirements

- **Citizenship:** U.S. Citizen Only
- **Degree:** Bachelor's Degree or Master's Degree received within the last 60 months or anticipated to be received by 5/31/2027 12:00:00 AM.
- **Minimum Overall GPA:** 3.00
- **Discipline(s):**
  - **Life Health and Medical Sciences** (1 👁)
  - **Other Non-Science & Engineering** (1 👁)
  - **Social and Behavioral Sciences** (5 👁)
- **Age:** Must be 18 years of age
- **Veteran Status:** Veterans Preference, degree received within the last 120 month(s).

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.)