

Internship Opportunities at the Baltimore City Health Department

Finding a Public Health Mentor

Welcome to the Baltimore City Health Department. Our mission is to advocate, lead, and provide services of the highest quality in order to promote and protect the health of the residents of Baltimore.

We receive many requests from area students and residents to spend time at the Health Department learning more about our scope of services, observing our programs, and contributing to our scholarship in epidemiology, policy, and program design, implementation and evaluation.

This page is designed to help you get started in learning about internship opportunities that exist within the Health Department. Because these opportunities are always changing due to project and staff availability, please recognize this is just a beginning.

Step 1: Familiarize yourself with the Health Department organizational chart. This will give you an idea of our scope of services and leadership within various divisions (<http://www.baltimorehealth.org/whatwedo.html>).

Step 2: Identify your goals and availability for your fellowship period by answering the following questions:

- How much time do you have to devote to working with the Health Department? (i.e., full-time for one month or 8 hours a week for a semester)
 - suggested minimum time periods
 - if working full-time, minimum of 3 weeks
 - if working part-time, minimum of 8 hours a week (over a semester)
- When are you available? (please do not reach out until you have a time period selected)
- What are the areas within the Health Department that you are interested in working? How does that align with your broader professional goals?

Step 3: Once you have answered the questions in Step 2, contact individuals at the Health Department who are interested in having a fellow/host an intern. Please select individuals based on your level of training:

- Undergraduate Level of Training
 - **Child and Adult Food Program**- Jacquelyn Gowans-Maultsby email at jgowans.maultsby@baltimorecity.gov (410) 396-4531
- All Levels of Public Health Training (Undergraduate Through Doctorate), Interested in Maternal and Child Health
 - **Adolescent and Reproductive Health**- Cathy Watson Cathy.Watson@baltimorecity.gov or (410) 396-0186
 - **B'More for Healthy Babies**- Rebecca Dineen- Rebecca.dineen@baltimorecity.gov or call her at (410) 396 - 9441
 - **Maternal and Infant Care** - Rebecca Dineen- Rebecca.dineen@baltimorecity.gov or call her at (410) 396 – 9441
- All Levels of Public Health Training (Undergraduate Through Doctorate), Interested in Chronic Disease, Communicable Disease, and Prevention Efforts
 - **Cancer Screening and Education**- Steven Dashiell steven.dashiell@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 396-1408
 - **TB Prevention**- Nicketta Johnson nicketta.johnson@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 396-9413
 - **Tobacco & Chronic Disease & Health Education**- Soula Lambropoulos email at Soula.Lambropoulos@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 396-9932. *Please email Laura Fox for a detailed description of the tobacco health educator description

- **Community Risk Reduction Services, Needle Exchange** van- Chris Serio email at chris.serio@baltimorecity.gov or call her at (410) 396-4439
- **HIV/STD Prevention**- Glen Olthoff-- email at glen.olthoff@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 396-4448.
**interested in someone to do a rudimentary cost effectiveness analysis
- All Levels of Public Health Training (Undergraduate Through Doctorate) Interested in Community Health, Epidemiology, and Animal Control
 - **Health Equity & Social Determinants of Health** - Ryan Petteway email at ryan.petteway@baltimorecity.gov or call at (443) 984-4031
 - **Health Disparities**- Kay Sibetta email at kay.sibetta@baltimorecity.gov or call at (443) 984-4098
 - **Community Planning and Initiatives**- Genevieve Birkby email at genevieve.birkby@baltimorecity.gov or call at (443) 984-2466
 - **Epidemiology & Social Epidemiology**- Ryan Petteway email at ryan.petteway@baltimorecity.gov or call at (443) 984-4031
 - **Animal Control**- Kevin Usilton email at Kevin.usilton@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 396-4698.
 - **Hazard Remediation (Lead abatement, lead inspections/enforcement, primary prevention, foster care inspections, bed bugs)**- Eric Lomboy email at eric.lomboy@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 984-2493
 - **Operation Safe Kids (Youth Violence Prevention)**- Orin Howard at orin.howard@baltimorecity.gov or call at (443) 984-4012.
 - **Safe Streets Program (Youth Violence Prevention)**- Lori Toscano at lori.toscano@baltimorecity.gov or call at (443) 984-3563
- Graduate Students in Public Health or Other Disciplines (i.e. law, social work)
 - **Asthma Bureau**- Kate Scott email at kate.scott@baltimorecity.gov or call at 443-984-2460
 - **Oral Health Services**- (Research and Needs Assessments) Dr. Patricia Bell-McDuffie email at Patricia.Bell-McDuffie@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 396-4501
 - **Acute Communicable Diseases**- Mary Grace Munoz- marygrace.munoz@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 396-4436.
 - **Healthy Policy with Interest in legislative issues and legislation**- Rachel Indek email at Rachel.indek@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 984-2623
- Medical Students, Residents, Nurses and Physicians
 - **Asthma Bureau**- Kate Scott email at kate.scott@baltimorecity.gov or call at (443) 984-2460
 - **Child Health & Immunization**- Dr. Anne Bailowitz email at ann.bailowitz@baltimorecity.gov or call at (410) 396-4454 (**Looking only For interns starting after June 2011*)

Step 4: If none of the above reply to you, please try and contact them again a few days later. Program directors can be extremely busy at times. Be as specific as possible regarding the questions listed in Step 2. Finally, if you have still not had success speaking with someone, contact Laura Fox at 410.545.7544 or email laura.fox@baltimorecity.gov.

We do hope that we will be able to find an appropriate spot for you at the Health Department where you can hone your skills in public health, expand your experiences and contribute to the goal of the Health Department in creating a healthy Baltimore.