

THE RESIDENCY PROGRAM IN PUBLIC HEALTH AND PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

THE NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE



For over half a century, the New York City Health Department's Public Health and Preventive Medicine (PH/PM) Residency Program

has trained physicians in health promotion and disease prevention at the population level. Graduates have served as leaders in public health practice, epidemiologic and clinical research, and health services administration.

The residency program is a unique learning opportunity, which combines field experience at one of the largest health departments in the United States with studies toward the Master of Public Health (MPH). During the two-year program, residents gain the epidemiologic, administrative and clinical skills needed to understand and prevent disease, disability and death in individuals and in groups.

The residency program is fully accredited by the Accreditation Council on Graduate Medical Education. Graduates of the residency program are eligible for Board Certification in Public Health and General Preventive Medicine by the American Board of Preventive Medicine.

Eligibility

Applicants must have completed at least one year of clinical residency training in an accredited program and must possess or be eligible for a full and unrestricted New York State medical license. Licensure must be obtained by the program start date.

The Health Department is an equal opportunity employer.

Master of Public Health Degree

Residents earn their MPH at the City University of New York's Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy (CUNY SPH). The MPH studies provide students with a foundation in the core areas of public health, including epidemiology and biostatistics, health services management and administration, environmental health and behavioral health. Residents apply the skills learned to their efforts to improve urban population health at the Health Department.

Residents also have the option to complete their MPH at Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health or the State University of New York (SUNY) Downstate Medical Center's School of Public Health. Additional tuition costs may apply.

For more information about the CUNY Graduate School of Public Health and Health Policy, visit www.sph.cuny.edu.

For more information on other degree options visit the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health at <http://www.aspph.org>.



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Practicum

Residents complete their practicum as full-time staff members at the Health Department. They rotate between Health Department divisions, working on a number of projects during the first year. During the second year, residents design and implement an applied research project in their chosen area of interest.

Under the guidance of public health physicians and other senior staff members, residents engage in:

- Epidemiologic research, outbreak investigation and emergency response
- Surveillance and data analysis
- Program design and administration
- Outreach to high-risk populations
- Communication with the public, policymakers and health care providers
- Policy development
- Clinical rotations at preventive medicine and public health clinics (e.g., tuberculosis, sexual health, occupational medicine and smoking cessation clinics)



Track in Cancer Prevention and Control

The residency program offers specialized training in population-based cancer prevention and control. Students in this track explore topics such as:

- Cancer epidemiology and surveillance
- Promotion of screening and early detection
- Tobacco control and other legislative initiatives
- Provider education
- Community coalitions
- Risk communication to policymakers and the public

Resident Compensation

As full-time Health Department employees, residents earn an annual salary based on the number of years of previous postgraduate medical education. Residents are eligible for all City employee benefits (e.g., health insurance, disability insurance, annual and sick leave).

Residents also receive full tuition and fees for the CUNY SPH MPH degree and selected expense allowances, including travel funds and board certification exam fees.

Elective in Public Health

The residency program also offers an elective in public health for residents and medical students. Through field visits, meetings, lectures, and applied public health projects, participants learn strategies to promote wellness and prevent illness in individuals and populations. For more information, visit <https://www1.nyc.gov/site/doh/about/employment/residency-program.page>

Application Procedure:

Applications may be submitted through the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS) or emailed to healthrp@health.nyc.gov.

Application Requirements:

1. Curriculum Vitae (CV)
2. Detailed statement of interest in public health and preventive medicine. Please indicate if you are also interested in the track in Cancer Prevention and Control.
3. Transcripts from all post-secondary schools attended
4. Medical Student Performance Evaluation (Dean's Letter)
5. United States Medical Licensing Exam (USMLE) or Comprehensive Osteopathic Medical Licensing Examination (COMLEX) scores
6. Three letters of recommendation from clinical and/or research supervisors, including one from your clinical residency program director
7. Copy of a valid New York State medical license (or evidence of eligibility)

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After you are accepted into the residency program, you must submit a separate application to the MPH program.

