Introducing the New Post-Residency Public Health Fellowship at KUMC’s Department of Family Medicine

Complete your Public Health Fellowship after your Family Medicine Residency for free!

Objectives of the KUMC FM-MPH Program

1. Provide family physicians with advanced public health training to enable them to incorporate and apply public health knowledge and skills in a clinical setting;

2. Provide integrated training in the core competencies of public health, including biostatistics, epidemiology, health services, social and behavioral sciences, health disparities and health policy, to address current or emerging public health challenges;

3. Support collaboration of family physicians with public health professionals and community leaders to use systematic approaches to promote the health of disadvantaged populations.

For more information or to apply for the fellowship, please contact Dr. Shelley Bhattacharyya at 913-588-0056, sbhattacharya@kumc.edu.

Ongoing public health projects

- JayDoc clinic
  Medical students, residents, and faculty members work together to provide care at this important safety net clinic.

- BullDoc clinic
  Using the successful model employed by the JayDoc clinic, we have set up in-school clinics at several elementary and high schools in the Kansas City area.

- CAICH (Center for American Indian Community Health)
  Community-based participatory research is essential as we strive for health equity among local American Indians/Alaska Natives populations.

- International work
  Our faculty members, residents, and fellows have the opportunity to help communities all over the world. We currently have partnerships and projects in countries such as Malawi, Haiti, and Kenya.
My MPH degree has markedly enhanced my ability to include preventive care and health promotion as a focus within my practice. It has expanded my ability to use population health approaches in all I do and opened up new and interesting community service opportunities.

Allen Greiner, MD, MPH
Family Physician, KU School of Medicine faculty member; Medical Advisor, Wyandotte County/Kansas City; Kansas Unified Government Health Department

Community Action Project
The Community Action Project (CAP) will be a one-year community project initiated, conducted, and managed by the Public Health Fellow. The projects will be evaluated for sufficient rigor and community impact by the Fellowship faculty since the public health fellows will be community representatives of the University of Kansas Hospital and Medical Center. Community Action Projects will be conducted in primarily medically underserved areas of the Kansas City metropolitan area including public schools, health departments, low-literacy areas and community health centers. It will culminate with an oral presentation to the faculty of the Fellowship and interested faculty and trainees of the University of Kansas Hospital and Medical Center. They will be encouraged to present their work at national meetings and apply for grants to further their interests.

The public health fellows will also be active in the education of other trainees and will be required to be involved with the KUMC Resident Council. They will teach public health sessions to other trainees within and outside of their departments.

The Capstone Project
The Capstone project is an integration of the KU-MPH curriculum. In addition, it is an opportunity for the student to demonstrate proficiency and mastery of the KU-MPH coursework. The student's Capstone experience consists of six credit hours. In fulfilling the Capstone requirement, each candidate must: (a) submit a formal written paper of sufficient depth and rigor; (b) satisfactorily complete an oral examination based upon the research or project chosen as the basis for the written paper.

MPH PLAN OF STUDY
42 Credit Hours
Core Courses (15 Credit Hours)
PRVM 800 Principles of Epidemiology
PRVM 804 Principles of Statistics in Public Health
OR
PRVM 814 Fundamentals of Biostatistics I
PRVM 818 Social & Behavioral Aspects of Public Health
PRVM 827 Public Health Administration
PRVM 830 Environmental Health
Program Requirement (4 Credit Hours)
PRVM 802 Principles of Epidemiology Laboratory
PRVM 875 Management of Public Health Data
Electives (Minimum of 17 Credit Hours)
Capstone Courses (6 Credit Hours)