

Maine Internships/Practicum opportunities Available

The Maine Center for Public Health Area Health Education Center (www.mcph.org) announces a number of MPH student internship opportunities available for Summer, 2005 and beyond. The Center is a small, dynamic public health institute, with a mission of public health education, research, technical assistance and policy development.

Opportunities are available through MCPH's partners, including:

Maine Health (statewide hospital consortium, including Maine Medical Center in Portland, the state's largest tertiary hospital). Many opportunities are available in urban and rural settings, including obesity and access initiatives, asthma camp, community health surveys, grant writing. Internships are offered for 20 to 40 hours weekly, with reimbursement. Skills needed: Computer, writing, public speaking

Franklin Community Health Network (an exemplary rural health network, including an award-winning Healthy Community Coalition. Located in a university town in Western Maine.) A variety of health promotion, prevention and policy projects are available. Individual opportunities can be worked out with the Vice President and President. The time commitment is 40 hours weekly, negotiable, reimbursement negotiable. Skills needed: communication, writing, interpersonal skills, strong interest in health promotion. Ability to work independently.

Southern Kennebec Healthy Communities (Located in Gardiner, Maine, approximately one hour from Portland, this community coalition employs a multifaceted approach to health promotion and prevention). The internship involves development of a community resource guide for providers, which would help providers refer patients to resources, thus helping providers implement the chronic care model of practice. The student would also develop and implement an evaluation tool that could be used to assess the guide's impact. Fulltime, negotiable, reimbursement offered. Prefer student with specialization in health and social behavior, but negotiable. Skills needed: Evaluation, web site development, community development

For further information and contact information for the providers of these opportunities, please contact Ann Conway, Ph.D., MCPH AHEC Director, at (207) 629-9272, x 206 or through aconway@mcph.org.