Three New Fellowship Opportunities at CDC

The Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education (ORISE) will soon begin recruiting for 3 new positions that will be housed in the CDC National Center for HIV, Viral Hepatitis, STD and TB Prevention (NCHHSTP). These positions will be part of the Program and Performance Improvement Office in the NCHHSTP Office of the Director. The NCHHSTP Office of the Director is led by Dr. Jonathan Mermin, and the Program and Performance Improvement Office is led by Dr. Richard Wolitski.

The Program and Performance Improvement Office (PPIO) provides leadership and technical expertise to the NCHHSTP Office of the Director and Divisions to improve efficiency, outcomes and impact of the Center's programs, policies, and activities. It does this by working to build capacity to implement high impact prevention activities, maximize opportunities afforded by the health care system, strengthen program collaboration and service integration, and enhance the use of modeling, surveillance, program and other data in planning and program improvement.

It is expected that one fellow will be selected to participate in each of the following priority areas: (1) health care data systems, (2) analysis of large data sets, and (3) reporting and use of data for program improvement.

Assignments and Duties may be as follows:

1. Assist CDC staff in health informatics issues related to improving and assessing the delivery of recommended prevention and care using electronic medical record systems (e.g., Epic, Cerner, etc.) and clinical decision tools.

2. Assist to identify and capitalize on opportunities to more successfully integrate screening and prevention into clinical workflow processes.

3. Provide assistance in health care data collection, standards and coding schemes (including LOINC, SNOMED-CT, ICD, CPT, etc.) storage, extraction and analysis from a variety of sources and database technologies

4. Assist to develop clinical quality measures and submissions for CMS for Meaningful Use, NCQA, and NQF review.

5. Assist in analyzing large surveillance, public health program, and health care data sets to assess epidemic trends, impact of prevention efforts, and the delivery and impact of essential prevention and health care services.

These fellowships are a good opportunity for individuals who are considering a future career at CDC and may want to apply for a permanent position at CDC in the future. Depending on the position, opportunities will exist for co-authorship of reports and publications.

Recent graduates in health informatics, informatics, information technology, mathematical statistics, applied statistics, biostatistics, public health, epidemiology or social or behavioral sciences will be recruited for a 1-year appointment and work with a mentor within the Office of the Director. Candidates with masters or doctoral degrees will be considered. Compensation will be based on education and prior experience. Start dates are flexible, but are expected to be between June and September 2015.

All positions will be administered by ORISE. Additional information about the ORISE program can be found at: http://orise.orau.gov/cdc/default.html. Interested persons can send resumes to Ms. Mardi Ithier before the positions have been posted by ORISE at: PPIO@CDC.GOV. Resumes will be forwarded to ORISE for their review after the positions have been announced.