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CDC Announces 2 yr. Field Assignment of Prevention Specialists

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC's) Public Health Prevention Service (PHPS) invites you to provide a professional development opportunity for early-career program managers. PHPS is requesting applications from public health organizations for 2-year field assignment in program management for up to 25 prevention specialists. Field assignments will take place from October 2010 to October 2012. The announcement and related guidance is available on CDC's PHPS Internet site at <http://www.cdc.gov/phps/FieldAssignments>.

PHPS is a 3-year training and service program for postgraduate master's-level professionals interested in a public health management career. During the first year of the program, prevention specialists work in public health prevention and control programs throughout CDC and participate in training activities, including seminars, evaluation projects, temporary duty assignments, and conferences designed to provide them with essential public health management skills. During the second part of the program, prevention specialists are placed in 2-year field assignments with public health organizations to apply skills that develop, deliver, and evaluate public health programs and intervention strategies.

Eligible health agencies or organizations include: State and local health departments, U.S. territorial health departments, Indian Health Service area offices, Tribal organizations, and Other health-related organizations (e.g., community-based organizations, foundations, and universities) that have an **active collaboration** with a state or local health department) **All salaries, benefits, and PHPS-related travel expenses will be the responsibility of CDC's PHPS Program.** In addition, PHPS will provide prevention specialists with limited assistance for relocation to the field assignment. The deadline for the two-page Letter of Intent (LOI) is **January 15, 2010** (midnight EST). Organizations with accepted LOIs will be invited to submit a full application detailing the assignment. That letter will be due on **April 6, 2010**. For more information about PHPS and requesting a fellow, please contact:

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