



# PHAP

PUBLIC HEALTH  
ASSOCIATE PROGRAM

## *The Public Health Associate Program*

The Public Health Associate Program (PHAP) is a Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) training and development program that provides opportunities for promising future public health professionals to gain broad experience in the day-to-day operation of public health programs. It is geared toward recent baccalaureate college graduates (BA/BS) who are beginning a career in public health and are seeking hands-on experience.

## *Are you interested in becoming an associate?*

### IT'S YOUR FUTURE

- Explore the relationship between local, state, tribal, and federal public health
- Exchange ideas with experienced public health professionals and participants from diverse backgrounds
- Partner with the nation's premier public health agency to help address our most pressing public health problems

### MAKE A DIFFERENCE

As a PHAP associate, you are a CDC employee assigned to work alongside state and local public health agency staff. The two-year program will help you gain basic knowledge, skills, and experience to become a successful public health professional. The work you perform will have an impact not only your career, but on the community you serve.

*"I was interested in PHAP because it is an opportunity to gain hands on public health experience without much previous experience. While I had an educational background in public health, I had minimal work experience in the field of public health before starting PHAP. PHAP is my chance to break into the public health space where I want to be long term."*

- Laura Ann Coelho, class of 2011

## APPLY FOR THE CLASS OF 2012!

Applications open February 1, 2012.  
Visit [www.cdc.gov/phap](http://www.cdc.gov/phap) to apply.



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