



# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CHRONIC DISEASE DIRECTORS

Public Health AmeriCorps Oregon Service Opportunity I

# **POSITION OVERVIEW:**

Position Name: NACDD Public Health AmeriCorps Service Member Position Type/Hours: Three Quarter Time/1200 hours Service Location: Oregon Health Authority 800 NE Oregon St, Suite 730 Portland, OR 97232 Living Allowance: \$8,074.00 Education Award: \$5,176.50 Total Award: \$13,250.50

# PROGRAM PURPOSE:

The National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD) is a national public health non-profit agency focused on improving the health of the public by strengthening state and national leadership and expertise for chronic disease prevention and control. NACDD's core membership is composed of the 59 State and Territorial Health Department Chronic Disease Directors and their staff who protect the health of the public through primary and secondary prevention efforts and work "upstream" on root causes of chronic conditions. NACDD promotes health and reduces the burden of chronic disease through various programs and initiatives in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity, and Obesity and the Division of Population Health, and a team of nationally recognized experts.

To enhance public health resources across the country and support state and local public health settings respond to and recover from the COVID-19 pandemic, the Public Health AmeriCorps (PHA) program supports the recruitment, training, and development of the next generation of public health leaders. In partnership with State Health Departments, local health departments, other community-based organizations, and/or local YMCAs or YMCA State Alliances, Service Members will be placed across twenty states to advance existing efforts around food and nutrition security, safe physical activity access, social connectedness, and health equity, all within the context of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

# SPECIFIC SERVICE FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

The PHA Service Member will support staff and programs within the Health Promotion and Chronic Disease Prevention (HPCDP) Section as it relates to implementation of policy, systems and environmental (PSE) strategies to reduce disparities related to nutrition security and safe access to physical activity. Specific activities include:

- Supporting activities for landscape scans related to nutrition security and safe access to physical activity. Activities could include but are not limited to conducting research on local partners working in these spaces; supporting an inventory of local programs/services; helping analyze local data to identify priority populations, etc.
- Build new and strengthen existing HPCDP relationships with key organizations working on nutrition security and safe access to physical activity. Activities could include attending virtual and in-person partner meetings, conducting one on one meetings, and building and maintaining a partner inventory.
- Contribute to the development of the nutrition and physical activity portions of HPCDP's strategic plan. Activities could include facilitation of partner engagement meetings, gathering background information, and researching possible policy options through literature reviews, results of the landscape analysis, and surveying best practices from other states.

# DESCRIPTION OF ANTICIPATED SERVICE SCHEDULE:

- Hybrid service hours, 30% on site, 70% telecommute
- Service hours are to be completed Monday-Friday between the hours of 8:00am and 5:00pm Pacific time.
- A maximum of 20% of service hours may be training, education, or other similar approved activities
- A maximum of 10% of service hours may be fundraising activities

#### **DESIRED SKILLS & COMPETENCIES**

- Bachelor's degree or equivalent relevant experience with at least two years' experience in related fields, preferred.
- Proven ability to work cooperatively, manage complex projects, and build positive relationships with internal and external partners.
- MS Office Suite/Google Suite proficiency.
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team.
- Strong time management, project management, and organizational skills.
- Strong written and verbal communication skills.

# NON-DISCRIMINATION NOTICE

The NACDD PHA program operates in accordance with federal and AmeriCorps program requirements on nondiscrimination. In accordance with applicable laws and regulations, the NACDD PHA program prohibits all forms of discrimination and harassment based on the protected categories of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, sexual orientation, disability (mental or physical), gender identity or expression, political affiliation, marital or parental status, reprisal, pregnancy, genetic information (including family medical history), military service, or their submission of a complaint. NACDD's compliance history is available upon request.

#### **REQUIRED COMMITTMENT**

Service members are expected to complete 1200 service hours within a one (1) year timeframe.

The service year is anticipated to begin 02/03/2025 and end 02/02/2026.

#### **ORIENTATION AND TRAINING**

Members must participate in

- Pre-service orientation
- PHA-specific training
- Program-specific training
- Any other trainings deemed necessary by the Host Site supervisor

Note: Trainings will be limited to 20% or less of PHA Service Members service hours

#### EVALUATION AND REPORTING

PHA Service Members will:

- Complete quarterly assessments of the PHA Program including their Host Site experience, trainings, sense of belongingness and inclusivity, interest in pursuing a career in public health, etc.
- Complete monthly reflection forms
- Participate in quarterly performance evaluation and reviews with their Host Site supervisor
- Be required to submit service timesheets biweekly

# PUBLIC HEALTH AMERICORPS ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

PHA Service Members must:

- Be at least 18 years of age at the commencement of service
- Have a high diploma or its equivalent
- Be a citizen, national, or lawful permanent resident alien of the United States

- Satisfy the National Service Criminal History Check eligibility criteria pursuant to <u>45 CFR 2540.202</u>
- Live within commutable distance of the Host Site to accommodate a hybrid service schedule

# OTHER PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY AND REQUIREMENTS

Must be willing to comply with all Host Site vaccination requirements, including for COVID-19

### PUBLIC HEALTH AMERICORPS PROGRAM BENEFITS

- Living allowance of \$8,074.00 over the course of the term of service
- \$5,176.50 Segal Education Award at the end of a successful service term
- Student loan deferment and interest forbearance
- Increased professional awareness and accumulated real-world experience to enhance job competence following completion of service year
- Join a network of like-minded leaders who are passionate about improving communities and the health and wellbeing of community members

#### HOW TO APPLY

 Submit Your Application by 12/20/24: Complete and submit the NACDD Public Health AmeriCorps Program Application through the following Smartsheet link:

https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/766fd3822c5942aa909458fef11dd12a

# FOR MORE INFORMATION

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- National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD)