

Eligibility

- Physicians (MD, DO, MBBS, etc.) with at least one year of clinical training
- Doctoral-level scientists (PhD, DrPH, ScD, etc.)
- Medical professionals (DDS, BSN, MSN, PA, PharmD) with MPH or equivalent degree/relevant public health experience
- Veterinarians (DVM, VMD, etc.) with MPH or equivalent degree/relevant public health experience
- U.S. citizens and U.S. permanent residents with an active, unrestricted, U.S. license to practice their clinical specialty, if applicable
- International citizens eligible for a J-1 visa

FOR MORE INFORMATION

EIS website: <http://www.cdc.gov/eis>

The online application is available at:
<http://www.cdc.gov/eis/ApplyNow.html>



Earthquake response, Haiti

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Cholera,
Guinea-Bissau



Nipha virus,
Bangladesh



Meningitis,
Alaska



Rabies,
Arizona



H1N1 influenza,
California



Childhood vaccination,
Pakistan



Lymphatic filariasis,
Togo



Pertussis,
St. Croix



Salmonellosis,
Oregon

Serving on the Frontlines of Public Health

The Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) is a unique 2-year, postgraduate program of service and on-the-job training for health professionals interested in the practice of epidemiology.

Every year, 70–80 people are selected and assigned to CDC or state/local health department positions. EIS officers conduct epidemiologic investigations, research, and public health surveillance both nationally and internationally.

Annual Pay Range: \$65,000–\$90,000, depending on qualifications and personnel system.

Distinguished EIS Alumni: Making a Difference in Public Health Leadership

Surgeon General

- RADM Steven Galson (acting, 2007–2009), EIS 1986
- ADM William H. Stewart (1965–1969), EIS 1951

CDC Directors

Four of the last seven CDC Directors:

- Thomas Frieden, MD, MPH (2009–Present), EIS 1990
- Jeffrey Koplan, MD, MPH (1998–2002), EIS 1972
- James Mason, MD, MPH (1983–1989), EIS 1959
- William Foege, MD, MPH (1977–1983), EIS 1962

State Epidemiologists

- Approximately 45% of leading state epidemiologists

Landmark Epi-Aid Investigations

Since the early 1950s, approximately 3,200 EIS officers have responded to requests for epidemiologic assistance (Epi-Aid) within the United States and throughout the world. Requests to assist with emergency responses, investigate infectious and environmental disease outbreaks, and quantify the impact of chronic diseases are examples of Epi-Aid responses.

1950s

- Contamination of killed poliovirus vaccine with live virus
- Childhood lead poisoning from peeling paint

1960s

- Smallpox epidemics through 1977
- Hong Kong influenza epidemics

1970s

- Legionnaires disease
- Ebola virus in Zaire and Sudan
- Aspirin-associated Reye syndrome

1980s

- Toxic shock syndrome
- HIV/AIDS
- Accutane-associated birth defects

1990s

- Health effects of Hurricane Andrew
- West Nile virus epidemic
- Cardiac valvulopathy associated with fenfluramine (fen-phen)

2000s

- 9/11 terrorist attacks
- Anthrax terrorist attacks
- Hurricane Katrina
- Nationwide salmonellosis outbreaks
- Pandemic H1N1 influenza



9/11 response