

Mat-Su Health Foundation

Community Health Fellow Job Description

The Foundation

Formed in 2005 from a merger between Valley Hospital Association and Triad Hospitals, Inc. in order to construct the new Mat-Su Regional Medical Center, Mat-Su Health Foundation (MSHF) retains 35% ownership of the hospital, shares 50/50 governance of the state-of-the-art facility, and invests its share of the net revenues into charitable works. The MSHF's mission is to improve the health and wellness of Alaskans living in the Mat-Su Borough. MSHF provides financial support for well-managed 501(c)3 organizations offering services and practical solutions to significant chronic, health-related problems impacting Mat-Su citizens.

Position Summary

The Mat-Su Health Foundation is seeking a Community Health Fellow. This fellowship will provide an opportunity for a new graduate or an established public health professional to learn about and participate in evaluation and research in the philanthropy arena. As a Mat-Su Community Health Fellow you'll work alongside public health professionals on projects that are at the intersection of public health and philanthropy. Projects include overseeing program evaluation of a high utilizer program, a youth prevention program modeled on the Youth in Iceland Model, and a Behavioral Health in Schools initiative. Additionally, the fellow will assist the Vice President of Programs in designing and overseeing a 2019 Community Health Needs Assessment for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.

The Mat-Su Health Foundation, which is a 501-3C organization, is co-owner of the Mat-Su Regional Medical Center and receives 35% of the profits from this partnership to invest in the community to promote the health and wellness of Mat-Su residents. In 2017, the foundation awarded over \$7 million in grants and scholarships. Please explore the MSHF website to learn more <http://www.healthymatsu.org/index>

As a fellow, you will work in one of the most beautiful areas of the country – Alaska's Matanuska-Susitna Borough. Our community is composed of 104,000 people who live amid a magnificent landscape the size of the state of West Virginia with white cap mountains, raging rivers, and abundant wildlife.

We are in search of an individual with the ability to deliver a high level of support to the work being done at the Mat-Su Health Foundation. You'll be working in a professional environment with the Vice President of Programs and will receive:

- Specific projects suitable for a competent, highly motivated individual
- Mentoring in community health research, data, and program planning
- Day-to-day oversight and support
- Clear learning objectives paired with an effective evaluation method

Competencies sought include at least completion of course work for a Master's or Doctoral Degree in one of the following fields: Public health, Social work, Medicine, Nursing, or Public Policy. We can accommodate meeting practicum or thesis needs. Professionals with completed degrees are welcome, as well. This is a one year paid fellowship with professional development opportunities included. Applications will be accepted through January 20th, 2019.

The position is full-time for one year with a salary of \$60K, full benefits and reimbursement of relocation expenses. Please submit the following

- A cover letter and up-to-date curriculum vitae
- A short essay describing the reason you want to be a Community Health Fellow, including a discussion of your major strengths and qualifications for this program and how this fellowship experience will fit into your career plans.
- The names of three references who can speak to your academic and/or work experience and skills.