

Internship Title:

PG-1 Overdose Reporting System Education and Outreach

Internship Location:

**In-Person: 1100 W. 49th St, Austin, TX 78756
or Virtual**

Preceptor Name and Title:

Haylea Stuteville, MPH
Epidemiologist III

Brief Description

Include minimum of 3 learning objectives

The Texas Department of State Health Services' (DSHS) Poison Epidemiology program, which is part of the Environmental Surveillance and Toxicology Branch (ESTB), conducts surveillance and investigations of environmental hazards and exposures, public health emergencies, overdoses, and poisonings in the state of Texas. In 2019 the poison epidemiology program launched the online Overdose Reporting System (ORS) for the mandated reporting of Penalty Group 1 (PG-1) Drug Overdoses. However since going live there is limited traffic and severe under reporting. Under direction of the poison epidemiologist, the intern will collaborate with the ESTB Information Specialist-II (IS-II) to focus on education and outreach relevant for the reporting of PG-1 drug overdoses.

Learning Objectives

- How to collaborate and communicate with internal and external stakeholders
- Develop a basic understanding of PG-1 drugs and overdose reporting system
- Develop a basic understanding of government agency processes, policies, and legislative mandates that govern the work environment and effect program decision making.

**Approximate Total
Weekly Hours:**
~20-40

Paid:

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

DSHS Division:

Community Health
Improvement

Program:

Poison Epidemiology –
Environmental Surveillance
and Toxicology Branch

Disciplines of Public Health

<input type="checkbox"/> Biostatistics/Data Analytics	<input type="checkbox"/> Epidemiology	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health Promotion
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Health Communication	<input type="checkbox"/> Program Planning	<input type="checkbox"/> Health Administration
<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Health	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Research	<input type="checkbox"/> Program Evaluation
<input type="checkbox"/> Policy Analysis and Development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other: Click or tap here to enter text.	

Internship Details

Intern Activities

What will the intern do during their internship? Use verbs to describe activities.

- Researches, collects and creates educational materials related to PG-1 Drug Overdoses
- Collaborates with IS-II to determine target audiences and message to increase reporting of PG-1 Drugs to ORS.
- Translate technical language into appropriate level for different target audiences
- Disseminates educational materials to target audiences and stakeholders
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Intern Deliverables

- Complete outreach to at least 1 new stakeholder
- PG-1 Educational and Outreach Materials
- List of contacts for target audiences

As part of an end-of-semester celebration of the interns, the intern will give a brief PowerPoint or poster presentation of their project and experience to an audience of DSHS staff and university partners.

Applicant Qualifications

Required	Skill
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Microsoft Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Word <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PowerPoint
	<input type="checkbox"/> Statistical Analysis applications (SPSS, STATA, etc.)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Tableau or similar applications
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other software applications
	Academic Level Bachelor's degree
	Any other skills required (soft or technical) Core Courses in Public Health
Preferred	Skill
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Microsoft Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Word <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Excel <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PowerPoint
	<input type="checkbox"/> Statistical Analysis applications (SPSS, STATA, etc.)
	<input type="checkbox"/> Tableau or similar applications
	<input type="checkbox"/> Other software applications Click or tap here to enter text.
	Academic Level Master's Level Student

	Any other skills required (soft or technical) Knowledge of overdose reporting, opioid overdoses, or harm reduction
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Application Instructions

Qualified and interested applicants must submit the following items to the contact below:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Application	<input type="checkbox"/> Letter of Interest	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Two letters of recommendation Instructions: Letters from current or former supervisor or faculty members (in lieu of reference checks).
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resume	<input type="checkbox"/> Writing Sample	<input type="checkbox"/> Other documents: Click or tap here to enter text.

Contact Information

Contact Name and Information	Name: Craig Gilden Credentials: MEd Title: Education Coordinator Email: internships@dshs.texas.gov
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