



Fellowship Name: Public Health Region 1 Zoonosis Control Fellowship

Fellowship Details

Host Site Organization Name: Texas Department of State Health Services

Host Site Division/Program: Regional and Local Health Operations; PHR 1 Zoonosis Control

Host Site/Fellowship Location: 6302 Iola Avenue, Lubbock, Texas 79424

Host Site Workplace Setting: Combination of onsite and virtual

Workplace Setting Description: Hybrid after 3-4 months. While teleworking, the fellow will participate on calls, virtual meetings, and on-site meetings, and off-site activities on telework days.

Public Health Core Disciplines: Epidemiology Environmental Health Sciences

Primary Fellowship Focus/Topics: Disease Surveillance Zoonosis

Fellowship Overview

Host Site Mission: The mission of the Zoonosis Control Program of the Texas Department of State Health Services is to promote public health through the prevention and control of diseases transmissible from animal to human (zoonoses). To achieve its purpose, the Zoonosis Control Program investigates reported zoonoses, coordinates vector surveillance, presents educational programs, provides Animal Control Officer trainings, and regulates rabies quarantine facilities.

Fellowship Projects:

- Develop surveys
- Collect, enter and analyze data
- Conduct site or community-based assessments
- Conduct literature reviews and provide health education and community outreach
- Organize and perform program evaluations
- Participate in epidemiological investigations and trainings
- Participate in discussion and provide input related to best practices & health policy
- Participate in additional activities: tours, seminars, meetings, etc.

Fellowship Deliverables: Developing and giving presentations, reviewing manuscripts and other documents, news brief updates, developing surveillance tables and associated maps, inspecting quarantine facilities, and completing associated paperwork, completing case investigations, and entering them in the NEDSS or zoonoses control databases, planning and executing a CE event.

Fellowship Activities/Responsibilities

Responsibilities: Update the monthly news brief; conduct epidemiological surveillance (case investigations); participate in field surveillance activities (planning and execution); prepare/update educational materials; give presentations to animal control officers and other stakeholders; conduct investigative consultations; monitor disease trends; and learn about common zoonotic diseases in the region.

Skills: Work with NEDSS, Zoonosis Control Database, ARCGIS, and Qualtrics; PowerPoint development; time management; public speaking and engagement; event planning; Basic vector ID (as time allows).

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Salary and Benefits

Annual Salary: Tier 2, \$56,000

All fellows will be eligible for DSHS employee [benefits](#) including [health insurance](#) and leave.

Travel

Percent Travel: 30%

Travel Description: Most travel is regional and occurs during summer vector surveillance. The fellow may drive or be a passenger.

Required Applicant Qualifications

(The following qualifications are REQUIRED. Do NOT apply to this position unless you currently meet or plan to meet these requirements by the start of the Fellowship, June 1, 2025.)

Required certification/license:

No requirement

Ability to Speak in Spanish:

No Requirement

Ability to Write in Spanish:

No Requirement

Preferred Educational Qualifications

(The following preferences are guidelines provided by the Host Site. These are NOT requirements. Host Sites prefer that applicants have completed or are currently working toward these.)

Preferred Level of Education: Master's Degree

Preferred Specialized and Technical Skills

(The following skills will be a focus during this Fellowship position. If you have or are interested in developing data analysis skills or building technical skills in the software listed below, this could be a good Fellowship position for you.)

Data Analysis Skills:

No Preference

Statistical Software Skills:

No Preference

Statistical Software:

N/A

Other Software:

Microsoft