



Prevention Fellowship Program



CENTER FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION (CSAP) 2015 – 2017 PREVENTION FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM RECRUITMENT ANNOUNCEMENT

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration's (SAMHSA) Center for Substance Abuse Prevention (CSAP) is accepting applications for the 2015 – 2017 Prevention Fellowship Program.

The Prevention Fellowship Program seeks qualified individuals who are looking for professional growth in the field of substance abuse prevention. Fellows receive a yearly stipend of up to \$37,000, and will be required to work 32 hours per week. These individuals will be assigned to a mentor from participating State agencies throughout the United States and U.S. Territories/Pacific Jurisdictions. (Visit the application Web site at www.seiservices.com/SAMHSA/csap/preventionfellowship for a list of participating States and U.S. Territories/Pacific Jurisdictions). Fellows are accepted on a location basis pending the site of the State agency.

PROGRAM SUMMARY

The SAMHSA/CSAP Prevention Fellowship Program was launched in 2006 in an effort to build a workforce of substance abuse professionals. Prevention Fellowship Program assists fellows in providing capacity-building Technical Assistance (TA) to support integration of behavioral health prevention services in their state/territories. The Prevention Fellowship Program also prepares fellows for International Certification & Reciprocity Consortium (IC&RC) certification as substance abuse prevention specialists. This professional development program allows fellows to

- work in State agencies while being supported by State agency mentors;
- receive prevention and professional development training;
- learn a set of core competencies in preparation for the Certified Prevention Specialist (CPS) exam;
- develop management and leadership skills; and
- prepare for potential opportunities within the prevention field.

QUALIFICATIONS

Individuals seeking selection into the Prevention Fellowship Program must meet the following criteria and provide associated documentation:

- 1) U.S. Citizenship or U.S. Territories and Pacific Jurisdictions residency;
- 2) At least two (2) years of college from an accredited academic institution and a minimum of two (2) years paid work experience in public health, behavioral health, clinical or social science areas; or a Bachelors degree or higher from an accredited college or university with an emphasis in public health, behavioral health, clinical or social science areas;
- 3) two letters of recommendation from an academic and/or professional reference;
- 4) a detailed essay of 500 words or less on why the candidate should be selected for the fellowship and how the selection would support his or her career goals; and
- 5) a strong interest in the substance abuse prevention field.

Applications will be accepted from eligible candidates through Friday, August 14, 2015. Applicants will be notified of their selection status on or before Friday, September 4, 2015. Selected candidates are tentatively expected to begin the Prevention Fellowship Program on or after September 15, 2015.

For additional information, please contact the Prevention Fellowship Program at (240) 485-1700, ext. 3287 or e-mail preventionfellowship@seiservices.com.

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