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NCUIH and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) are collaborating on an infection prevention and control (IPC) training initiative for UIO healthcare workers.
CDC's Project Firstline is a collaborative of diverse healthcare and public health partners that aims to provide engaging, innovative, and effective infection control training to more than 6 million healthcare personnel in the United States. Project Firstline will provide every person working in a U.S. healthcare facility the foundational understanding of infection control to protect the nation from infectious disease threats such as COVID-19.
NCUIH is pleased to announce the following opportunities (click to learn more):

- UIO Infection Prevention & Control "Champion" Funding Opportunity – 5 Awards Up to $40,000
  - *Deadline 9/30/20*
  - *Register for pre-application webinar Wednesday September 9, 1:00pm ET*
- Student Fellowships for Public Health, Health, and Communications Students
  - *Deadline 9/30/20*
- Request for Applications for Part-time Consultant – UIO Virtual Trainer – The Face of IPC Training
  - *Deadline 9/14/20*
- Request for Applications for Part-time Consultant – Infection Prevention and Control Program Subject Matter Expert
  - *Deadline 9/14/20*

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IPC Project Champions Funding Opportunity

NCUIH is recruiting Urban Indian Organizations (UIO) to become Infection Prevention and Control (IPC) Systems Champions to undertake locally-defined initiatives accompanied by a core set of requirements for targeted training and development as part of Project Firstline. Selected UIOs will have the opportunity to tailor activities and learning opportunities unique to Indian Country and to share their knowledge and expertise in adapting current IPC guidelines to combat the current COVID-19 pandemic on the frontlines of their organizations.
Collaborative activities will be facilitated by NCUIH and co-created by UIO IPC Systems Champions in a model that embraces Champions as teacher-learner and relies on 4 key principles of adult learning (involvement, experience-based, problem-centered, immediate relevance).

Goal of the Champion Initiative

Identify and implement sustainable UIO systemic changes in infection prevention and control critical to a culture of safety and create organizations that are flexible and responsive to ongoing needs during the pandemic and beyond.

Opportunity Overview for UIO IPC Systems Champions (IPCSC)

- Maximum of 5 UIOs will be selected
- Competitive awards of up to $40,000
- Duration of participation is 8 months (November 1, 2020 to July 1, 2021)
- Application deadline: September 30, 2020 at 11:59PM Eastern Standard Time
- Participation requires a commitment to complete the core set of required activities
- Selected Systems Champions will support information gathering, training module and modality development, pilot testing of materials, and participation in frontline staff training within their organization, including potential participation in CDC-supported Project Echo activities
- NCUIH staff bring expertise, experience and support in multiple performance improvement methodologies, including LEAN, Six Sigma, and Just Culture
- Participants are provided access to CDC and other subject matter and training experts
- Option to participate in additional infection prevention and control train-the-trainer opportunities offered by CDCClick for more info

Application Deadline September 30, 2020 11:59 pm ET

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Learn More About IPC Champions

Student Fellowships

NCUIH is seeking fellowship applications from students in public health, health, communications, nursing, medicine or other related disciplines to support CDC-funded infection prevention and control training project activities.

Fellowship recipients should have a focus on urban Native health in one of the following areas:

- infection prevention and control
- public health
- public health nursing
- mental health
- behavioral health
- health communication
- improving health processes
- improving health quality
- or a related area

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Application Deadline September 30, 2020 11:59 pm ET

Apply for Fellowship

Part Time Virtual Training Consultant – Infection Prevention and Control

UIO Virtual Trainer – Infection Prevention and Control: The Infection Prevention and Control Virtual Trainer Consultant will serve as the primary training facilitator to Urban Indian Organization (UIO) health care and other frontline staff on infection prevention and control content in support of NCUIH's CDC Project Firstline.

Requirements and Qualifications:

• Professional experience working with American Indian and Alaska Native populations in health care is **required.**

• Deep understanding of cultural aspects of working with American Indian and Alaska Native populations is **required**.

• Current health care provider licensing/ credentialing or recent experience as a health care provider such as a nurse, physician, community health outreach worker is **required.**

• Demonstrated knowledge of infection prevention and control practices, policies, and procedures is **required**.

• Polished verbal communication and facilitation skills **required**.

• Experience in online or virtual training technology platforms **required**.

• Experience working for an Urban Indian Organization, the Indian Health Service or tribal facility in an urban or metropolitan area is strongly preferred.

• Experience with the Zoom platform is preferred.

• Demonstrated experience working with diverse groups of people is preferred.

• Preference given to candidates who are American Indian or Alaska Native.

Application Deadline September 14, 2020 11:59 pm ET

Apply as Virtual Trainer Consultant

Part Time Infection Prevention and Control Program Subject Matter Expert Consultant

Infection Prevention and Control Program and Process Improvement Subject Matter Expert (SME) Consultant: The Infection Prevention and Control Program and Process Improvement SME will provide consultation to Urban Indian Organization (UIO) health care and other frontline staff in the assessment, implementation, and improvement of successful infection prevention and control programs and practices in outpatient clinic settings including subject matter expertise on SAR-COV-2 management, in support of NCUIH's CDC Project Firstline.

Requirements and Qualifications:

• Demonstrated expertise in infection prevention and control practices, policies, and programs is **required**.
• Current certification in infection prevention and control is strongly preferred.
• Experience working or consulting in infection prevention and control in an ambulatory setting is **required**.
• Demonstrated expertise in SARS-COV-2 infection prevention and control program and practice management is **required**.
• Current health care provider licensing/ credentialing or recent experience as a health care provider such as a nurse, physician, community health outreach worker is **required**.
• Polished verbal communication skills **required**.
• Demonstrated experience working with diverse groups of people, including American Indians and Alaska Natives is preferred.
• Demonstrated experience working with Indian Health Services, Tribal Health Systems, or Urban Indian Organizations is preferred.
• Preference given to candidates who are American Indian or Alaska Native.

Application Deadline September 14, 2020 11:59 pm ET

Apply as IPC SME Consultant