# **Public Health Workforce**

## Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 President's Budget Request: +\$30 million

Public health agencies did not have the people or resources to surge to meet the demands of a pandemic. Investments in the next generation of essential public health workers will better position our communities and the nation to safeguard Americans' health. CDC fellowship programs, which promote experiential service and mentored learning in many public health critical disciplines, including applied epidemiology, laboratory sciences, preventive medicine, public health management, and data science, fill critical workforce needs at CDC and in state, tribal, local, and territorial public health agencies. CDC also provides training opportunities, educational resources, and continuing education credits for state, local, territorial, and Tribal health departments providing the tools to sustain a well-trained workforce to work better, faster, and smarter.

### **SPOTLIGHT ON IMPACT**

More than **265,700** unique health professionals earned free Continuing Education **773,949** times valued at \$**14,600,000** in FY 2022.



CDC TRAIN's national catalog includes over **5,000** trainings, available to anyone, anywhere. TRAIN affiliates offer an additional **15,000** non-public courses that are restricted to their state, agency, or other personnel.

From 2020 – 2022, CDC deployed **100%** of its Epidemic Intelligence Service (EIS) and Laboratory Leadership Service (LLS) officers to support the pandemic response.

In FY 2022, **542** CDC fellows and trainees were assigned to positions in state, local, Tribal, or territorial public health agencies.

#### FY 2024 BUDGET REQUEST

CDC strengthens the U.S. public health workforce with a multi-pronged approach focused on support for world-class public health fellowship and training programs like EIS, LLS, and the Public Health Informatics Fellowship Program (PHIFP); ensuring broad access to training and educational resources; identifying and systematically addressing workforce and recruitment gaps; and building foundational workforce capacity to ensure public health is prepared for future threats at every level of government.

### FY 2024 KEY OBJECTIVES



- Hire and retain a skilled, diverse workforce capable of surging to meet local, regional, or national needs
- Build and maintain multi-disciplinary pathways into public health careers, including
  providing student loan repayment as a recruitment incentive to increase and sustain
  the demographic diversity of CDC fellowship program participants
- Provide continuing education and accredited learning opportunities at no cost to state and local public health departments
- Modernize public health workforce development data and analytics capacity and information technology systems
- Work with partners to access and facilitate rotation opportunities for university students at STLT public health agencies.



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