

# 2023 ANNUAL UPDATE

Training health professionals in applied epidemiology since 1951

172 officers in 2022 and 2023 classes

4,012 alumni

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# EIS OFFICERS...



are doctoral scientists, nurses, physicians, veterinarians, and other health professionals.



complete a 2-year on-the-job training in applied epidemiology.



serve our country while gaining practical skills to become future public health leaders.



Class of 2022 officer Emily Faherty (left) and field preparedness assignee Lisa Goldsworthy (right) speak with community members about the assessment of chemical exposures after a train derailment in East Palestine, Ohio.

# ON THE JOB TRAINING



Field Investigations and Response



Epidemiologic Analyses



Oral Presentations



Peer-Reviewed Scientific Manuscripts and Abstracts



Surveillance System Evaluations



Daniel Nguyen (Class of 2022) interviews community members for a Rapid Needs Assessment after the August 2023 Maui wildfires at the Maui District Health Office in Maui, Hawaii.



Class of 2022 officer Forrest Jones (left) and CDC employee Jessica Irizarry-Ramos review details of the leptospirosis surveillance system after Hurricane Fiona hit Puerto Rico in 2022.

# EIS Class of 2023 Professional Backgrounds

The 86 EIS officers in the class of 2023 were selected from 306 applicants. This class began their EIS fellowship in July 2023.



# CLINICAL

#### 23 PHYSICIANS

10 MPH

1 MScPH

1 MPHTM

1 MS

1 MSc

1 MPhil

Physician specialties

2 MPH, MS • Emergency medicine

Family medicine

Infectious disease

Internal medicine

Internal medicine/

pediatrics Internal medicine and

HIV medicine

Pediatric infectious diseases

Pediatrics

 Preventive medicine (General/Public Health)

### **6 NURSES**

1 PhD. MPH 1 MPH 2 PhD 1 MSPH

### 12 VETERINARIANS

1 PhD, MPH 9 MPH 1 MPH, MA

### 3 OTHER DOCTORAL-LEVEL **HEALTH PROFESSIONALS**

1 PharmD, MPH 1 MPH, MMS

1 PharmD

### NON-CLINICAL

#### **42 DOCTORAL SCIENTISTS**

26 MPH 1 MS, MEd 1 MPH, MPhil 1 MSc 1 MPH, MS 1 SM 4 MS

#### Doctoral degree disciplines

- Biomedical Sciences
- Molecular Microbiology and Immunology
- Cell and Molecular Biology: Microbiology, Virology, and Parasitology
- Ecology and Evolutionary Biology
- Entomology
- Environmental Health Sciences
- Environmental Science and Health
- Epidemiologic Science
- Epidemiological Science
- Epidemiology
- Epidemiology and Biostatistics
- Human Development and Family Science
- Immunology and Microbiology
- International Health
- International Nutrition
- Microbiology and Immunology
- Microbiology, Immunology, and Physiology
- Public Health
- Systems Engineering
- Women's and Reproductive Health

# EIS Class of 2024 Professional Backgrounds

The 50 EIS officers in the class of 2024 were selected from 316 applicants.

This class begins their EIS fellowship in July 2024.



### **CLINICAL**

#### 10 PHYSICIANS

3 MSc

# Physician specialties

2 MPH

- Infectious Disease
- 1 MScPH
- Pediatrics
- 1 MS
- Internal medicine
- Obstetrics and gynecology
- Surgery

#### **6 NURSES**

2 DNP

- 1 DNP, PhD, MSN
- 1 DNP, MPH, MS
- 1 MPH, MS
- 1 MPH

#### **3 VETERINARIANS**

- 1 PhD
- 1 PhD, MPH
- 1 MPH

# 2 OTHER DOCTORAL-LEVEL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

- 1 PharmD
- 1 PharmD, MBA, MPH

#### NON-CLINICAL

#### 29 DOCTORAL SCIENTISTS

13 MPH 1 MSc

4 MS 1 SM

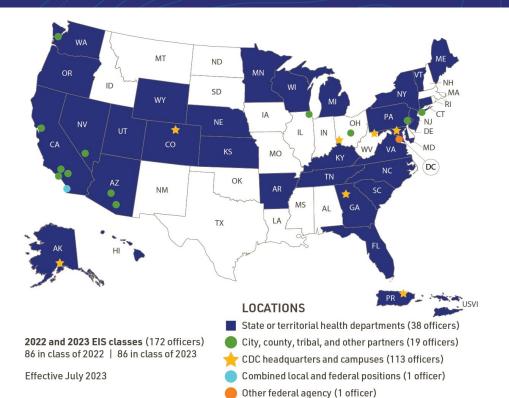
3 MSPH 1 ScM

2 MA

#### **Doctoral degree disciplines**

- Biology
- Entomology
- Environmental Health Sciences
- Epidemiology
- Epidemiology and Microbial Diseases
- Global Health Sciences
- Health Services Research
- Infectious Disease (Virology)
- Infectious Disease Epidemiology
- Interdisciplinary Health Sciences
- Microbiology
- Neuroscience and Physiology
- Pediatrics
- Population Health Sciences
- Public Health
- Speech and Hearing Science

# WHERE EIS OFFICERS WORK



Class of Class of **Host Site** 2023 2022 19 State or territorial health departments 19 City, county, tribal health departments, and other partners 8 11 CDC Global Health Center 8 5 CDC National Center on Birth Defects and Developmental Disabilities 3 2 CDC National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion CDC National Center for Emerging and Zoonotic Infectious Diseases 16 18 CDC National Center for Environmental Health and the Agency for Toxic 2 2 Substances and Disease Registry CDC National Center for Health Statistics 0 1 CDC National Center for HIV, Viral Hepatitis, STD, and TB Prevention 6 4 CDC National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases 10 10 CDC National Center for Injury Prevention and Control 6 1 CDC National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health 0 2 CDC Office of Health Equity 0 1 CDC Office of Public Health Data, Surveillance, and Technology 1 0 CDC Office of Readiness and Response 2 Combined local and federal positions 0 1 Other federal agencies 1 0 Total 86

Class of 2022 officer Caroline Waddell (left) interviews a participant in an mpox survey among people accessing homeless services or staying in encampments, shelters, or permanent supportive housing in San Francisco, California.





CDC disease detectives investigate public health problems, such as infectious or noninfectious disease outbreaks, unexplained illnesses, or natural or man-made disasters. This page reflects a diverse sample of the short-term, rapid response EIS officers provided in 2023.



### **Violence & Injury Prevention**

Worked with key community partners in Orleans Parish, Louisiana, to investigate an increase in fatal and nonfatal firearm assaults.



#### **Rabies Virus**

Worked with United States Department of Agriculture and local partners in Omaha, Nebraska, to develop and implement an enhanced public health surveillance program for eastern raccoon rabies virus variant that was detected for the first time in decades west of the Appalachian Mountains.



#### Homelessness

Assessed demographics, health conditions, barriers to housing, and encampment related health hazards among people experiencing homelessness in Denver, Colorado.



#### **Chemical Exposures**

Supported Ohio and Pennsylvania Departments of Health by conducting an Assessment of Chemical Exposures (ACE) investigation to assess potential health effects of a derailed train in East Palestine, Ohio, that had 20 railcars containing hazardous substances.



#### **Pediatric Rash**

Assisted the American Samoa Department of Public Health with investigating an acute rash illness outbreak initially suspected as measles and with improving local capacity for case and syndromic surveillance, outbreak response, and laboratory testing.



## **Dengue Virus**

Assisted the Peruvian Ministry of Health in Lima, Peru, with dengue outbreak response, assessment of dengue cases and clinical training, and data analytics support.



#### **Syphilis**

Assisted the Great Plains Tribal Leaders Health Board with investigating an outbreak of adult and congenital (passed to baby during pregnancy) syphilis among American Indians in the Great Plains Area; worked with tribal and state partners across four states to implement a variety of epidemiological, clinical, behavioral science, and disease intervention activities.



### **Healthcare-Associated Infection**

Investigated methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) infections, which is a type of staph bacteria resistant to antibiotics, in babies at a Virginia hospital's intensive care unit.

# **BEYOND EIS**

1 in 4 state epidemiologists are EIS alumni



4 of the last 12 CDC Directors are EIS alumni



1 in 4 CDC center leaders are EIS alumni



**97%** of recent EIS graduates continue in public health-related positions