

Georgia State University  
**Institute of Public  
Health Newsletter**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Upcoming Dates

- March 2-8      Spring Break
- March 9        Fall Courses Available on GoSOLAR
- March 11      Grand Rounds, 12 pm, Lanier Suite
- March 23      Fall Registration Begins
- March 26      Lunch & Learn on U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned  
Corps (<http://www.usphs.gov>)  
Speaker: Capt Nelson Adekoya  
Location: UL839  
Time: Noon  
*Lunch sponsored by PHISA*

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### March Grand Rounds

Speaker: Dr. Wayne Giles, the Director of the Division of Adult and Community Health from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Topic: "Cultivating Healthy Communities: Lessons Learned"  
Date: Wednesday, March 11, 2009  
Time: 12:00-1:00 pm  
Location: Lanier Suite (2nd floor Student Center)

### GSU Health Sciences Career Fair

Date: March 19, 2009  
Time: 11:00 am to 3:00 pm  
Place: Student Center Ballroom  
Please visit the following link for more details:  
[http://www.gsu.edu/images/UniversityCareerServices/Healthfair09\(4\).pdf](http://www.gsu.edu/images/UniversityCareerServices/Healthfair09(4).pdf)

### Graduation Registration

Don't forget to register for graduation at least two semesters in advance in the GSU graduation office:  
[http://www.gsu.edu/es/applying\\_for\\_graduation.html](http://www.gsu.edu/es/applying_for_graduation.html)

## PROFESSIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

### Internship Opportunities – NEW POSTING

The Office of Child Fatality Review, a division of the Office of the Child Advocate for the Protection of Children, is seeking THREE public health graduate students to provide research, analysis, and support for the following projects:

- A. To develop a statewide social indicator analysis of child fatality risk factors
- B. To develop a research study analyzing the data on infants who died while bed-sharing and the Child Protective Services investigative protocol determining parental neglect, including other risk factors
- C. To develop community support for a school-based injury prevention program (Risk Watch), and to guide the implementation of the program within two local schools

Interested students shall submit a resume, a list of relevant coursework for the specific position for which you are applying, and a 3-5 page writing sample (of any topic) to: [araheem@dhr.state.ga.us](mailto:araheem@dhr.state.ga.us). Incomplete submissions will not be considered. Selected students will be requested to interview with the staff within 30 days, and if selected, to sign a confidentiality statement to protect the identities and records of the children's cases with which he/she will be working.

### Public Health, Field Experience and Global Citizenship Travel to Ghana, Africa – NEW POSTING

Volunteer in Ghana with the Volunteering in Africa program which offers volunteer work and volunteer travel programs in Ghana anytime year round, and through this we promote Field Experience, Global Citizenship and Responsible Travel to Ghana, Africa.

For more information: <http://www.volunteeringinafrica.org/ghana.htm>

### Policy Director Opening at Voices for Georgia's Children – NEW POSTING

As our esteemed colleague, Lauren Waits, prepares for a new personal and professional journey, we are seeking a **Policy Director** for Voices for Georgia's Children.

Voices has entered the next phase of our growth with strong emphasis on moving our policy agenda to approval and implementation. We want to continue the energy and professionalism of our first five years. Please help us to find the perfect candidate for this job.

Applications are due by April 1:

<https://salsa.democracyinaction.org/o/1679/images/Voices%20Policy%20Director.pdf>

Pat Willis  
Executive Director  
[pwillis@georgiavoices.org](mailto:pwillis@georgiavoices.org)

**Manager, Community Health Education Project – NEW POSTING**

March of Dimes  
National Office, White Plains, NY

POSITION PURPOSE: responsible for oversight of the community education projects that are part of the federally funded Community Genetics Education Network (CGEN) project. The main responsibility is to work with the communities to ensure timely completion of work and to develop and implement a dissemination plan.

**To apply:** go to <http://www.marchofdimes.com/careers>, select Search Openings, then search by job ID 78

**White House Internship Program – NEW POSTING**

More information on the White House Internship Program, including application instructions, can be found at: [www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships](http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/internships)

**Executive Director Position**

The Atlanta Harm Reduction Coalition (AHRC) seeks an Executive Director for immediate hire. Founded in 1998, AHRC is a community-based non-profit organization whose core values are guided by the principles of harm reduction. AHRC's program activities follow a five-tiered risk reduction model, including street outreach and syringe exchange, HIV testing and counseling and testing for Hepatitis C, tuberculosis, and other infectious diseases; wellness exams, vaccinations, and referrals to medical clinics; referral to drug treatment programs; implementation of evidence-based interventions including the Safety Counts intervention developed by the CDC to reduce the risk of HIV in at-risk drug users. To apply, please send a cover letter with current CV to Peter Stinner, Search Committee Chair, at [pstinner@ahrc.fdn.com](mailto:pstinner@ahrc.fdn.com)

**Career Panel on Public Health**

Wednesday, March 18th  
3:00-4:30 p.m .

**Location:** [Andrew Young School, 7th floor](#)

Career conversations with employers/professionals in public health/policy. Guests include: Pamela Protzel Berman, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention; Bill Philbrick, Director of HIV/AIDS and Emerging Infectious Diseases - CARE; Dr. Angie Snyder, Georgia Health Policy Center

## CONFERENCES / MEETINGS

### **Healthy Places Research Group**

March 2009 HPRG Meeting

Speaker: Jim Durrett, Executive Director of the Livable Communities Coalition (LCC)

Topic: Smart Growth

Date: Tuesday, March 3, 2009 from 7:30am - 9:00am

Location: Emory University | Rollins School of Public Health | Grace Crum Rollins Building | Room 721 (7th Floor) | 1518 Clifton Road | Atlanta | GA (\*NOTE ROOM CHANGE)

Directions: The Rollins School of Public Health is located at 1518 Clifton Road, at the intersection of Houston Mill Road and Clifton Road.

### **Society for Advancement of Violence & Injury Research National Meeting**

March 5-6, 2009 in Atlanta, Georgia For more details, visit

[http://www.emorycenterforinjurycontrol.org/injury\\_violence\\_final.pdf](http://www.emorycenterforinjurycontrol.org/injury_violence_final.pdf)

### **The 17<sup>th</sup> National Conference on Child Abuse and Neglect**

*Focusing on the Future: Strengthening Families and Communities*

Marriott Marquis in Atlanta, March 30-April 4.

<https://www.pal-tech.com/cbconference/index.cfm>

For volunteer opportunities at this conference, visit:

<http://www.naswga.org/displayemailforms.cfm?emailformnbr=93398>

### **GPHA First Annual Future Leaders Conference**

The Georgia Public Health Association will hold its First Annual Future Leaders Conference on Friday, April 3, 2009, in Macon at Mercer University. Registration for students is free.

<http://www.gapha.org/future-leaders-conference/>

### **Health Disparities Conference**

The Xavier University of Louisiana College of Pharmacy, Center for Minority Health and Health Disparities, Research and Education will sponsor its Third Annual Health Disparities Conference April 19-21, 2009. For details, see <http://xula09.the1joshuagroup.com/posters.html>

### **The 7th National Forum for Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention**

George Washington University in Washington, D.C. on March 18-20, 2009. Visit

<http://www.7thnationalforum.com/>.

### **2009 NATIONAL HIV PREVENTION CONFERENCE**

Atlanta, GA from August 23 - 26, 2009. Visit <http://www.2009nhpc.org/>

## ONGOING ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Notice to CPH Students**

Please submit the following form: <http://publichealth.gsu.edu/pdf/GCPHApplication.pdf> prior to completing the certificate program. The form should be submitted to the Graduate Coordinator, Courtney Burton.

### **Selecting a MPH Specialty Track and Program of Study**

By the end of the second semester or after completing required courses, whichever comes first, MPH students must select a specialty track. Selection should be done in consultation with the student's faculty advisor. At the time of selection, a Program of Study (POS) form should be filed by the student. The POS may be updated from time to time as course work progresses. Please see the following link for more details: [http://publichealth.gsu.edu/current\\_students.asp](http://publichealth.gsu.edu/current_students.asp)

### **SAS Software**

IS&T has received authorization from SAS Inc. to distribute the SAS analytics software to Georgia State students. SAS version 9.1.3 is available for \$30 per copy, which just covers the cost of the CD and duplication. For more information, contact the Help Center at (404) 413-HELP(4357).

### **GSU Online Writing Resources**

<http://www.wac.gsu.edu/23793.html>

### **ASPH Recommended Reading From The Schools of Public Health**

[http://fridayletter.asph.org/article\\_view.cfm?FLE\\_Index=6541&FL\\_Index=1498](http://fridayletter.asph.org/article_view.cfm?FLE_Index=6541&FL_Index=1498)

### **Internship/Scholarship website**

<http://socrates.berkeley.edu/~cphpweb/career/fellowships.html>