

Community Health Major

Skills:

- Familiar with computers
- Organization & record keeping skills
- Able to work independently & in a team
- Data collection and grant writing
- Teaching, assessing, planning, and evaluating
- Interpersonal Skills
- Individual/Group health counseling skills
- Knowledge of Community Health Issues

Typical Work Activities:

- Monitor health status to identify community health problems
- Diagnose and investigate health problems and health hazards in the community
- Inform, educate, and empower people about health issues
- Mobilize community partnerships to identify and solve health problems
- Develop policies and plans that support individual and community health efforts
- Enforce laws and regulations which protect health and ensure safety
- Link people to needed personal health services and assure the provision of health care when otherwise unavailable
- Assure a competent public health and personal health care workforce
- Evaluate effectiveness, accessibility, and quality of personal and population-based health services
- Research for new insights and innovation solutions to health problems

Sample Work Occupations:

- Weight Management Specialist
- AIDS Educator
- University Health Educator
- Commercial Wellness Centers
- School District Health Related Services
- Industrial Hygienist
- Environmental Health Specialists
- Alcohol/Drug Manager
- Community Services & Health Educator Officer
- Personal Stress Manager
- Corporate Trainers
- Work site Wellness Coordinator
- Hospital Health Education Coordinator
- Field Health Officer
- Hospital Administrator
- Hospital/Managed Care Administrator
- Health Information Administrator/Technician

Sample Occupational Settings:

- Community Health Centers
- Industry and Business
- Hospitals and clinics
- Physicians' Offices
- Assisted Living
- Social Service Agencies
- Health Counseling Practice
- Consulting Firms
- Consumer Advocacy Organizations
- State Legislative Committees
- Rehabilitation Centers
- Voluntary Health Agencies
- Federal, state, & local agencies & health agencies
- Pharmaceutical and hospital supply firms
- Wellness Programs
- Insurance Companies
- Nursing Homes
- Colleges & Universities

Websites and Additional Information:

- **Public Health Resources:** <http://www.asph.org/otherph.htm>
- **Health Links** <http://www.bls.gov/search/search.asp>
- **Association of Schools of Public Health** <http://www.asph.org>
- **Public Health Links:** <http://www.asph.org/phlinks.htm>
- **World Health Organization:** <http://www.who.int/home/othersites/>
- **Public Health Foundation:** <http://www.phf.org/>
- **Public Health Foundation Links:** <http://www.phf.org/links.htm>
- **World Federation of Public Health Associations**
http://www.apha.org/wfpha/about_wfpha.html
- **Health Education and Health Promotion Sites:**
<http://www.apha.org/resources/hphe.htm>
- **Public Health Resources:** <http://www.apha.org/resources/index.html>
- **American Public Health Association (APHA)**
<http://www.apha.org>
- **National Wellness Association (NWA)**
<http://www.wellnesnwi.org>
- **Society for Public Health Education**
<http://www.sophe.org>