



Organization Name:

Cochise County Health and Social Services – Environmental Health Division

Organization Background:

The Environmental Health Division of Cochise Health and Social Services works to protect the community from public health nuisances, foodborne illness, waterborne illness, and enforces general sanitation regulations regarding septic systems, food establishments, public and semi-public pools, RV parks, and public lodging.
<https://www.cochise.az.gov/460/Environmental-Health-Services-Division>

Internship Project Title

FDA Program Standard 9 risk factor study data analysis

Project Description:

FDA Program Standard 9 requires a risk factor study on the occurrence of the five foodborne illness risk factors is conducted and repeated at least once every 60 months to measure trends in the occurrence of risk factors. An analysis is made of the data collected and a report on the outcomes and conclusions of the risk factor study is written. In addition, a targeted intervention strategy is designed to address the occurrence of the risk factors identified and success is measured with subsequent risk factor studies. The need for this project is for someone to analyze the data and draft a report based on the findings. The individual must be proficient in data analysis. Others involved with the project are the Division Director and FDA Regional Food Safety Specialist. The expected outcome is a thorough analysis of the risk factor study collection data and an accompanying report on the findings.

Internship project keywords (check all that apply).

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| ☐ Health Disparities | ☐ Maternal/Infant Health |
| ☐ Public Health Preparedness | ☐ Tobacco Use |
| ☐ Collaborations with Community | ☐ Injury/Violence Prevention |
| ☐ Collaborations with University | ☐ Immunization |
| ☐ Community health service | ☐ Infectious Disease |
| ☐ Physical Activity | ☐ Oral Health |
| ☐ Substance Abuse | ☐ Evaluation |
| ☐ Mental Health | ☐ Policy Development |
| ☐ Access to care | ☐ Program Planning |
| ☐ Nutrition | ☒ Data Analysis |
| ☐ Reproductive/Sexual Health | ☐ Other Click or tap here to enter text. |
| ☒ Environmental Health | |

When: When do you want the work done? Check all that apply.

- ☐Fall Semester

☐ Spring Semester

☐ Summer Term

☒ I want this listing to remain active indefinitely and we will accept applications from students for any upcoming semester.

☐ This listing is only for a specific semester/term: _____

Where:

Organization Mailing Address: 126 W. 5th St. Benson, AZ 85602

Address where Student will work (if different from above): *Click or tap here to enter text.*

☒ Check here if the student may have the option to work remotely from a site not listed above for all or part of this project.

Student Characteristics:

Organizational talent, data analysis expertise.

Level of Expertise Needed: *Do you wish to request an MPH program intern or an undergraduate public health program intern?*

Undergraduate: The internship for undergraduates should provide an experience that allows students to incorporate classroom learning into public health practice.

Graduate: Applied experiences for graduate students should require application of advanced knowledge and skills to the solution of health problems and the production of at least two agency-based deliverables.

Both experiences prepare students for future employment.

☐ MPH

☒ Undergraduate

☒ Either

Supervision

Danny Nikitas, Director of Cochise County Environmental Health Division. Danny has been part of a risk factor study in Pima County and is familiar with the FDA Program Standards and Environmental Health principles.

Compensation/Benefits/Professional Development

Is a stipend for the work or travel available? There is no stipend available. Will student be invited to participate in internal or external professional development opportunities? If so, will funding be provided for those experiences (e.g. conference registration, travel, etc.)? There will not be any additional opportunities for internal or external professional development. Could student be included in publications? Please outline that information. There are no publications with this project.

Application Contact Information

Students interested in applying can send their letter of interest, resume, and references to: Cochise County Health and Social Services, Environmental Health Division – Att.

Danny Nikitas, 126 W. 5th St. Benson, AZ 85602. Students can also email dnikitas@cochise.az.gov.