



The Kyah Rayne Foundation is seeking passionate undergraduate and graduate Public Health students to assist in the development and promotion of our food allergy education courses: Kyah's EPICourse for Arizona Schools, the National Kyah's EPICourse for Schools, and Kyah's EPICourse for Food Service. In addition, interns will help schools enroll in stock epinephrine programs, ensuring the availability of epinephrine auto-injectors on campuses. Implementing these stock epinephrine programs in Arizona schools enhances access to life-saving medication for children with food allergies, which affect approximately 1 in 13 children—about two in every U.S. classroom. Epinephrine auto-injectors must be administered within minutes of anaphylaxis and are the only effective treatment.

The Kyah Rayne Foundation (KRF) was established in 2019 to honor Kyah, who tragically died of anaphylactic shock at age 21 after mistakenly ingesting a peanut. KRF is dedicated to advancing food allergy awareness and education while increasing the availability of epinephrine auto-injectors to save lives. We have partnered with the University of Arizona Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health and the Western Region Public Health Training Center to provide free food allergy education courses. Additionally, we collaborate with the Arizona Department of Health, Maricopa County Department of Public Health, and Pima County Health Department to promote Arizona's stock epinephrine programs. Our goal is to register Arizona schools and food service establishments and provide resources to help them obtain stock epinephrine, ultimately preventing deaths from anaphylaxis.

Internship Opportunities:

Undergraduate Students - Outreach Team & Social Media Team

- Conduct outreach to Arizona schools to facilitate enrollment in Kyah's EPICourse for Arizona Schools and stock epinephrine programs, and share resources on obtaining stock epinephrine for their campuses.
- Outreach to Arizona food service establishments to facilitate staff enrollment in Kyah's EPICourse for Food Service and share resources on obtaining stock epinephrine.
- Become a subject matter expert on current Arizona stock epinephrine legislation and the registration process for schools and food service establishments.
- Develop social media content to raise awareness of food allergies.

Graduate Students - Development Team & Policy Team

- Conduct literature reviews on food allergy research to revise existing content and develop new materials for EPICourses.
- Build partnerships with state entities and organizations nationwide to implement the National Kyah's EPICourse for Schools.
- Develop policy changes necessary to increase the availability of epinephrine in Arizona and across the nation.
- Research funding opportunities, communicate with grant-issuing organizations, and write grant proposals to support organizational funding.

If you are interested in advancing food allergy awareness, please email your interest and a copy of your resume to coordinator@kyahraynefoundation.org.

