

## FDA MISSION

The FDA is responsible for protecting the public health by assuring the safety, efficacy, and security of human and veterinary drugs, biological products, medical devices, our nation's food supply, cosmetics, and products that emit radiation. The FDA is also responsible for advancing the public health by helping to speed innovations that make medicines and foods more effective, safer, and more affordable; and helping the public get the accurate, science-based information they need to use medicines and foods to improve their health.



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## COMMISSIONER'S Fellowship Program



*Protecting Public Health  
Through Science and Regulation*

## OVERVIEW

The FDA offers a two-year fellowship program, which provides an opportunity for health professionals and scientists to receive training and experience at the FDA. Fellows will train at FDA's White Oak campus in Silver Spring, Maryland or at other FDA facilities. Salaries are competitive and travel funds are available to attend scientific meetings.

## YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

At the core of the FDA mission are people. The FDA protects the food supply and assures that safe and effective drugs and medical devices are rapidly brought to patients. Every regulatory decision that the FDA makes is based on science. Fellows explore the nature of these decisions with their Preceptors, and learn the scientific foundations upon which these decisions are made.



## COURSEWORK

The coursework is designed to provide an in-depth understanding of the science behind regulatory review, encompassing the activities of the FDA across foods, drugs, biologics, devices, cosmetics, and tobacco. Coursework during the two years includes graduate-level public policy, FDA law, epidemiology, clinical trials, and statistics.

## PRECEPTORSHIP EXPERIENCE

Under the guidance of a FDA senior scientist committed to mentoring, Fellows will explore a specific aspect of FDA regulatory science. This is a hands-on experience during which the Fellow will identify and study a topic in FDA regulatory science. The experience can be in a biology, physics or engineering lab, in a clinical review team, in biostatistics, informatics, epidemiology, risk analysis or other aspects of FDA science.

## BENEFITS

We offer an excellent benefits package including health insurance, retirement, and paid vacation. For information on benefits, please visit

<http://www.hhs.gov/careers/pay/index.html>.

## WHO SHOULD APPLY

Applicants must have a Doctoral level degree (M.D., D.O., D.V.M., D.D.S., D.P.M., Pharm.D., or Ph.D.) to be eligible. Applicants with a Bachelor's degree in an engineering discipline will also be considered. Applicants must be U.S. citizens, non-citizen nationals of the U.S., or have been admitted to the U.S. for permanent residence at the time their applications are submitted. Applicants cannot be current FDA employees or FDA contractors (such as ORISE fellows). Applicants must have received their doctoral degree within 7 years of the start date. Applicants who have a Bachelor's or Master's degree in an engineering discipline may also apply, and applicants must have received their degree within 7 years of the start date. NOTE: All degree requirements (including thesis defense) must be complete before the program start date.

## HOW TO APPLY

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