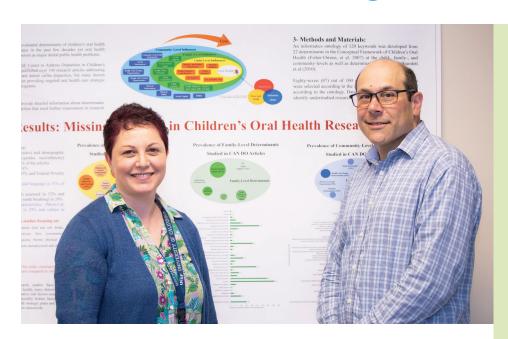


Matching UCSF Dental Public Health Trainees to California Rural Local Oral Health Programs



The UCSF Dental Public Health (DPH) Program Postgraduate Program is a one-year full-time certificate program focused on dental public health competencies and research. DPH trainees are dentists who have obtained a Master of Public Health degree and are interested in gaining real life experience working with rural, vulnerable, and underserved populations.

DPH trainees are building expertise in:

- Program planning activities
- Designing oral health surveys
- Developing oral health outreach materials
- Evaluating the impact of oral health programs
- Analyzing data and conducting research on oral health topics

If you are inspired to bring public health and dentistry together, we look forward to meeting you and getting to know about your local oral health program and how we can match a DPH trainee's skills and interests to your in-progress activities.

Typical Day of DPH Trainee

Once assigned to a local oral health program, DPH trainees are encouraged to spend 4–8 hours per week at their field site, depending on the needs of the department and trainee's schedule.

Past DPH Trainee Projects

Some past DPH trainee projects have included presentations to local dental societies, developing training materials for school-based/linked programs, and writing articles on topics such as tobacco cession, sugar-sweetened beverages, community water fluoridation, healthy mouth habits, kindergarten oral health assessment, and dental sealants.

Field Site Supervisor

A field site supervisor mentors the DPH trainee by identifying a project that builds on the work in-progress at the local oral health program and matches the trainee's skills, as well as completes quarterly reports to provide ongoing feedback on learning opportunities.

To become a field site supervisor, please email us at dphpostgrad@ucsf.edu



