Career Opportunities in Public Health

Careers in public health work with populations to prevent disease and promote health. More specifically, public health practitioner’s work to prevent epidemics and the spread of disease, protect against environmental hazards, prevent injury, promote and encourage healthy behaviors, respond to disasters and assist communities in recovery, and assure the quality and accessibility of health services.

For more information about the Coastal Carolina University Public Health program, please visit [http://www.coastal.edu/healthsciences/](http://www.coastal.edu/healthsciences/) and contact the Health Sciences Department Chair, Fredanna M’Cormack McGough at 843-349-2991 or [fmcorma@coastal.edu](mailto:fmcorma@coastal.edu).

**Common career specialties in public health:**
- Applied Health Research
- Biostatistics and Data Management
- Community Health Preparedness and Emergency Management
- Environmental Health
- Epidemiology and Disease Control
- Family Health
- Global Health
- Health Education/Promotion
- Health Communications
- Health Informatics
- Health Policy and Management
- Health Services Administration
- Maternal and Child Health
- Nutrition/Dietetics
- Occupational Safety
- Public Health Laboratory Practice
- Sexual and Reproductive Health

**Common career specialties in the health professions:**
- Audiology
- Biomedical Research
- Dentistry
- Forensic Science
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Occupational Therapy
- Optometry
- Pharmacy
- Physical Therapy
- Physician Assistant
- Speech Language Pathology
- Veterinary Medicine
Specific career opportunities:

**Corporate**
- ADA Specialist*
- Benefits Specialist*
- Human Resource*
- OSHA Specialist*
- Workers Comp. Specialist*
- Corporate Wellness
- Health Contractor
- Program Specialist
- Speaker/Lecturer

**University**
- Grant manager*
- Marketing Specialist*
- Health Teaching Assistant
- Health Educator – Univ. Health Services
- Peer Education Specialist
- Research Assistant

**Hospital/Clinic**
- Cardiac Rehab Specialist*
- Chiropractor*
- Dietitian*
- Elderly Health Specialist
- First Aid/CPR Specialist
- Health Educator
- Maternal Child Health Educator
- Nurse*
- Occupational Therapy*
- Physical Therapy*
- Physician’s Assistant*
- Prenatal Educator
- Speech Pathology*
- Teen Pregnancy Prevention Coordinator
- Client Health Promotion
- Continuing Education
- Coordinator (Programs, Agency)
- Health Care Grant Writer
- Health Clinic Administrator
- Health Insurance Sales
- Infection Prevention Control Specialist
- Managed Care Specialist*
- Medical Equipment Sales
- Office Manager
- Pharmaceutical Sales
- Policy Sales & Service*
- Staff for Federal/State DHHS Agencies
- Surgical Supply Sales

**Government**
- Armed Forces Health Specialist
- Department of Social Services
- DHEC – Educator (Health/Nutrition/Environmental)
- Federal, State, County & City Employee
- Health Clinic Stagg
- Health Program
- Outreach Health Program Specialist
- Community Center Staff
- Home Health Care*
- Life Coach
- Non-profit Agency Staff
- Senior Residence Staff
- Volunteer Services Coordinator
- Youth Services Worker

**Health Technology**
- Equipment Design
- Equipment Design
- Sales/Services
- Web Page Development
- Consultant
- Grant Writer
- Health Communication Specialist
- Health Product Sales/Service
- Health Teacher

* Indicates that additional school or on-the-job training may be necessary.