Epidemiology Fellowship Curriculum:

Injury prevention project development:
CDC, Atlanta , GA:
May 2011 (one week)

University of Michigan Summer Epidemiology Institute, Ann Arbor:
July 2011 (3 weeks)

Injury prevention field work:
Fall/Winter 2011 (one week)

Scientific presentation skills: Albuquerque:
February 2012 (one week)

Year-long Project:

Each fellow designs and reports on a year-long injury prevention project on a topic of importance to communities they serve.

Topics have included intentional injuries (e.g., suicide, intimate partner violence) and unintentional injuries (motor vehicle crashes, falls, diabetes and injuries); issues in data acquisition and surveillance; and implementation of effective strategies.

A number of Fellows have published the results of their projects in national publications.

Who should apply?

Persons who want to improve their effectiveness as injury prevention practitioners, work with a group of enthusiastic colleagues, and receive college credits; and who have:

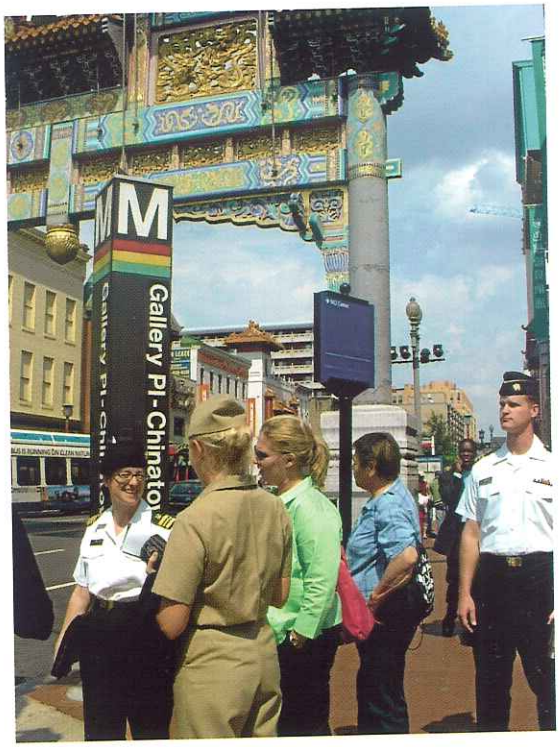
- Worked at least 2 years in the area of injury prevention;
- Attended at least two IHS injury prevention core courses (Levels 1,2,3 or equivalent);
- At least 3 years experience in public health;
- A college degree.

The IHS Fellowship Class of 2008 with Nancy Bill, MPH, IHS Injury Prevention Program Manager (far left) and Larry Berger, MD, Fellowship Program Academic Director (far right).

Symposium:

Fellows will present the results of their year-long projects at an annual symposium in Rockville, Maryland in May 2012. In addition to IHS and other agency staff, the audience consists of family, friends and new Fellowship participants.

While in the D.C. area, Fellows have made visits to the NHTSA, National Indian Health Board, Home Safety Council, and National Museum of the American Indian.



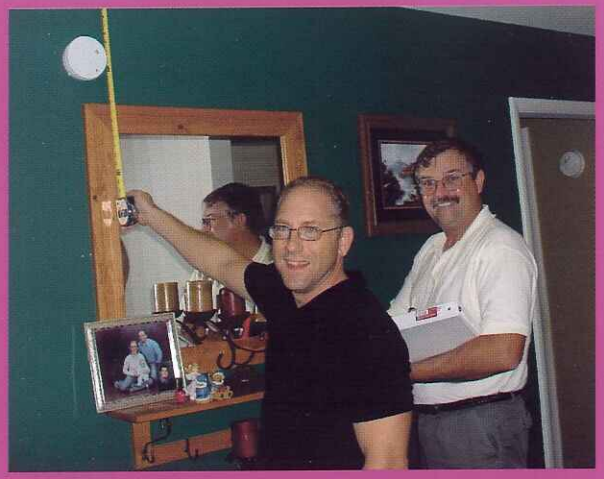
Quotes from previous Fellowship graduates:

"Best training I ever had in the PHS."

"It was a highlight of my work life thus far."

"My project resulted in over $500,000 in roadway improvements."

"The opportunity to meet so many IP practitioners from around the world was priceless."



Conducting a home survey to evaluate a community smoke alarm program.

Fellows visited a university-based EMS system to learn about emergency transport services - their value, costs, and data opportunities.

Applications must be received by November 1, 2010.

For more information, and to download an application packet, please click on "News and Events" at:
www.ihs.gov/MedicalPrograms/InjuryPrevention

Questions? Please contact your IHS Area Injury Prevention Specialist:

IHS Injury Prevention

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Fellows used GPS devices during a "geocaching" exercise in the Bemidji Area.