

Job Searches in International Public Health

1. For a free booklet, Voluntary Foreign Aid Programs – 2001, with summary information about 400 U.S. PVOs, write the Office of Private and Voluntary Cooperation, U.S. Agency for International Development, Washington, DC, 20523-7600, or phone (202) 712-0840, or email VOstrich@usaid.gov.
2. CORE, a coalition of NGO recipients of USAID child survival grants, provides information for both consultant job seekers and recruiters at www.childsurvival.com/tools/consultants_db.cfm
3. The Global Health Council Career Network at <http://www.globalhealth.org/jobs/> describes scores of positions. GHC members can post their resumes online. Their Career Connection job fair at their annual May conference in the Washington, DC area brings over 50 employing organizations. Two good investments are buying their Global Health Directory 2001, and Global AIDS Directory 2000. Each costs \$25 for GHC members and \$50 for non-members. Write to Global Health Council, 1701 K St., NW, Washington, DC 20006. Tel (202) 833-5900. Email: ghc@globalhealth.org.
4. The Public Health Employment Connection of the American Schools of Public Health Employment Council, Maintained by Emory SPH, is exceptionally rich, containing hundreds of current job openings in domestic and international health. Go to: <http://cfusion.sph.emory.edu/PHEC/phec.cfm>.
5. Two useful publications, Mission Handbook 2004-2006, a directory of 1000 mission agencies, and Essential Guide to Short Term Mission Trips can be obtained from World Vision Resources, 800 E. Chestnut Ave., Monrovia, CA 91016. Tel 1-800-777-7752. Online purchase at www.worldvisionresources.com costs \$49.95 and \$14.95 respectively.
6. The Publications Department, InterAction, 1717 Massachusetts, NW, Suite 801, Washington, DC 20036 has several valuable resources. E-mail: publications@interaction.org. Phone (202) 667-8227. Or got to www.interaction.org/jobs/index.html to obtain a) InterAction Member Profiles 2002-2003 with information on 160 US-based non-profits working internationally, b) Monday Developments, lists jobs, c) Global Work, lists volunteer, internship or fellowship opportunities, and d) InterAction Weekly Email Job Announcements. www.interaction.org/volunteer.html has links listing international volunteer opportunities.
7. The American Public Health Association CareerMart lists scores of jobs, mostly domestic, at www.apha.org/career/. Contact APHA, 800 I Street, NW, Washington DC 20005-3710. Phone CareerMart Coordinator at (202) 777-2742. Their November annual meeting is great to seek jobs.
8. The International Career Employment Center, 1088 Middle River Road, Standardsville, VA 22973 provides free access to and email notification of critical jobs needing to be filled immediately, including some in international health. Website: <http://internationaljobs.org/>, click on "Hot Jobs," then on "International Health Care." You can also subscribe to International Career Employment Weekly which lists 500 job openings every week. The rate for individuals is \$26 for 6 issues. Tel. 1-800-291-4618. Tel 1-800-291-4618. www.jobspublichealth.com/
9. The American Medical Students Association, 1902 Association Drive, Reston, VA 22091. Tel (703) 620-6600 lists many opportunities at www.amsa.org (click on "About Us" then "Global Health" then "International Health"). Look for their International Health Action Group, which facilitates students' cross-cultural experiences.

10. International Opportunities: A Career Guide for Students lists internships and job opportunities with NGOs, the US Government, UN, private sector, and educational institutions. It costs \$15.00. In the U.S. call 1-800-962-8061. You can order it online at:
<http://creativeworks.byu.edu/catalog/index.cgi?userid=184-1007055401-693&KC005=Book>
11. Opportunities for volunteer, short-term Christian medical assignments include the Medical Group Mission of International Aid (www.internationalaid.org), Mercy and Truth Medical Missions (www.mercyandtruth.com), Blessings International (www.blessing.org), and International Messengers: (800) 243-6763.
12. USAID has a few career positions in the New Entry Professional program. Go to www.usaid.gov, click on careers, or write Office of Human Resources, Recruitment Unit 2.08-140, USAID, Washington DC 20523-2808.
13. Many jobs are available at scores of USAID-funded agencies. There is no central clearinghouse for such positions. Many non-profits are listed in Voluntary Foreign Aid Programs (See No. 1 above.)
14. The World Bank and the projects it finances employ many health specialists full-time or as consultants. Again, there is no central point to get information about these opportunities. Networking with the relevant offices is required. Very few are entry level. NGOs are a better bet for recent graduates.
15. For hundreds of current job openings in international relief and humanitarian assistance, including health, go to Relief Web, Humanitarian Vacancies, at <http://www.reliefweb.int/vacancies>. You can also subscribe to a weekly email giving new openings.
16. For openings listed by The Communication Initiative on The Drum Beat, go to <http://www.comminit.com/vacancies.html> and do a search on "health".
17. Check www.idealists.org for a listing of thousands of jobs, internships and volunteer opportunities in health and other sectors in 153 countries.
18. Bruce Carr, <hbrucecarr@aol.com>, has compiled a directory of information resources about planning short-term medical and health missions, including an annotated listing of sponsoring organizations, sources of supplies, books, websites, and other information regarding overseas short-term mission trips. Go to:
<http://www.laromana.homestead.com/BruceCarrResDirectory1.html>.
19. <http://mfinder.org/> is a rich website of hundreds of opportunities for short-term health and medical missions, mostly Christian, plus links with many other websites on short-term missions.
20. For names and websites of 88 organizations which employ international health professionals go to: http://ccih.org/public_health_organizations.html