

WHAT DO COMMUNITY HEALTHCORPS MEMBERS DO?

Community HealthCorps members perform a variety of activities associated with health services and programs for patients and communities, often by functioning like community health workers.

Examples of activities include:

- Navigating the healthcare system
- Helping people in need establish a “medical home” and improve utilization of health services
- Individual and group health promotion/disease prevention education
- Follow-up, case management, and support on treatment plans
- Enrollment in public health insurance
- Assessing other patient needs (financial assistance, housing, legal, etc)



WHY SERVE WITH COMMUNITY HEALTHCORPS?

Community HealthCorps is a real-life education and service experience wrapped into one. This experience enables you to do great things for your community while you grow as an individual and attain tangible benefits.

By serving with us, you would:

- Experience working with diverse populations
- Learn specific transferable skills in the community healthcare field
- Become a strong leader
- Gain insight in serving in non-profit, community-based environments
- Plan events and service projects
- Gain personal satisfaction of taking on challenges and seeing results
- Put your idealism into action
- Meet lifelong friends with a common interest in health and community service

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NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF
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What is AmeriCorps?

AmeriCorps is the national service movement that engages more than 75,000 Americans each year in intensive services to meet our country's most critical needs in health, public safety, education, and the environment.



AmeriCorps is part of a tradition of service, like the Peace Corps or VISTA, which represents America at its best - making lasting differences while promoting the values of community, responsibility, and opportunity.



What is Community HealthCorps?

Founded in 1995 by the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC), Community HealthCorps is the largest health-focused, national AmeriCorps program that promotes healthcare for America's underserved, while developing tomorrow's healthcare workforce.



The mission is to improve healthcare access and enhance workforce development through community health center sponsored national service programs.



What is the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC)?

The National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) is a nonprofit formed by America's Health Centers. Since 1971, NACHC has provided education, training, advocacy, and technical support services to its members and has worked to expand access to primary and preventive care to all people in need through Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs).



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The mission of NACHC is to promote the provision of high quality, comprehensive and affordable healthcare that is coordinated, culturally and linguistically competent and community directed for all medically underserved populations.



QUALIFICATIONS

- 18 years of age, or at least 17 years old with a guardians signature
- High school diploma or GED or commitment to obtain during your service year
- United States citizenship, national or lawful permanent resident
- Strong commitment to service
- Respect and interest in working in medically underserved communities
- Ability to work with diverse populations
- Individual program sites may have additional qualifications

BENEFITS

- Extensive training and professional development
- Modest living allowance (taxable)
- \$5,550 education award (taxable)
- Health insurance - if applicable
- Child care - if eligible
- Loan deferment on qualified student loans
- Additional site-specific benefits may be available

TERM OF SERVICE

Full-time service requires a minimum of 1700 service hours over a 10 to 12 month period.



WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF COMMUNITY HEALTHCORPS?

- Increase access to and utilization of primary and preventive healthcare
- Improve the capacity of health centers to provide quality and preventable healthcare services
- Increase the quality and availability of preventive and primary care services and programs
- Foster collaborations and partnerships that ensure the continuity and sustainability of programs and services
- Encourage Community HealthCorps members to pursue further education and careers in community health through mentorship and experiential learning
- Create a culture of civic engagement and volunteerism to strengthen preventive and primary healthcare

ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Community HealthCorps*VISTA members work to alleviate poverty by improving the capacity of health centers to provide quality health services and programs to medically underserved people. Opportunities through the Community HealthCorps*VISTA program are currently available in New York.

