

# Division of Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Workforce Development: MCH Pipeline

## MISSION

The Maternal and Child Health Pipeline Training Program (MCHPTP) promotes the development of a culturally diverse and representative health care workforce by recruiting diverse applicants (including racial and ethnic minorities), and training students from disadvantaged backgrounds into maternal and child health professions. The Maternal and Child Health Pipeline Training Program (MCHPTP) recruits undergraduate students who are enrolled at institutions that have a demonstrated record of training individuals who are from disadvantaged backgrounds and who are underrepresented in the maternal and child health field. The MCH Pipeline Training Program educates, mentors, guides and provides enriching experiences to increase students' interests in MCH public health professions (pediatrics, public health, pediatric nutrition, social work, pediatric nursing, pediatric dentistry, psychology, health education, pediatric occupational/physical therapy, speech language pathology, etc.). MCH Pipeline Programs are all linked to at least one MCH long-term training program.

## PROGRAM PROFILE

MCHB currently funds four (4) Pipeline programs with total annual awards amounting to approximately \$670,000. The next anticipated grant competition for the Pipeline Programs is FY 2016.



## PROGRAM LOCATIONS

### Alabama

[Alabama State University](#)

### California

[University of California at Los Angeles](#)

### District of Columbia

[Howard University](#)

### Wisconsin

[University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee](#)

## Program Impact

- ▶ **Trainees.** In FY 2013, the Pipeline training program trained 161 short-term and 219 medium-term trainees and provided the knowledge and skills for public health practice and leadership that placed them on a career track for entering MCH-related professions.
- ▶ Over 77% of long-term Pipeline trainees are from underrepresented racial groups and 22% are from underrepresented ethnic groups. These students are trained to serve underserved, disadvantaged MCH communities to reduce health disparities and improve service delivery to women, communities, and youth.
- ▶ In FY 2013, approximately 70% of Pipeline program graduates entered graduate programs preparing them to work with the MCH population.
- ▶ **Title V.** In FY 2013, MCH Pipeline training programs reported collaborating with State Title V (MCH) agencies or other MCH-related programs on over 50 activities in areas of service, training, continuing education, technical assistance, product development and research.

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