



MCH TRAINING PROGRAM: SOCIAL WORK

DIVISION OF RESEARCH, TRAINING, AND EDUCATION

MATERNAL AND CHILD HEALTH BUREAU OF THE HEALTH RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

◇ Purpose

The Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Social Work Training Program is designed to establish MCH Centers of Excellence that promote public health training for social workers. The purpose of the program is to prepare public health social work leaders through:

- ◆ Graduate training for leadership roles in service, administration, research, education, and advocacy related to programs providing health and related services for populations of mothers and children (infants through adolescents) and families, including those with special health care needs;
- ◆ Development and dissemination of curricula, teaching models, and other educational resources to enhance MCH content in social work training programs; and
- ◆ Regional and National continuing education, consultation and technical assistance in public health social work geared to the needs of the MCH community.

◇ Highlights

Trainees. The MCH Social Work Training Program has successfully recruited many qualified minority candidates for long-term training. Graduates have become faculty in schools of social work, pursued careers in policy and research, and become local leaders in direct service.

Faculty. Project directors are demonstrated leaders with expertise in public health social work practice, program development, and administration. Faculty engage in applied and clinical research and must provide technical assistance and consultation to Title V agencies in addition to their teaching and advising functions.

Curriculum. The curriculum includes the following areas, as applied to mothers, children, and families: epidemiology; social factors relating to health; community needs assessment; program planning and evaluation; program management and accountability; policy change strategies; and effects of ethnicity, culture, and gender on access to health services. The curriculum also includes field training. ◆

◇ Program Profile

In FY 2009, MCHB funded three projects, with total annual awards amounting to approximately \$410,000.

The next grant competition for MCH Social Work is FY 2013.



◇ Program Locations

◆ Maryland

University of Maryland, Baltimore

◆ North Carolina

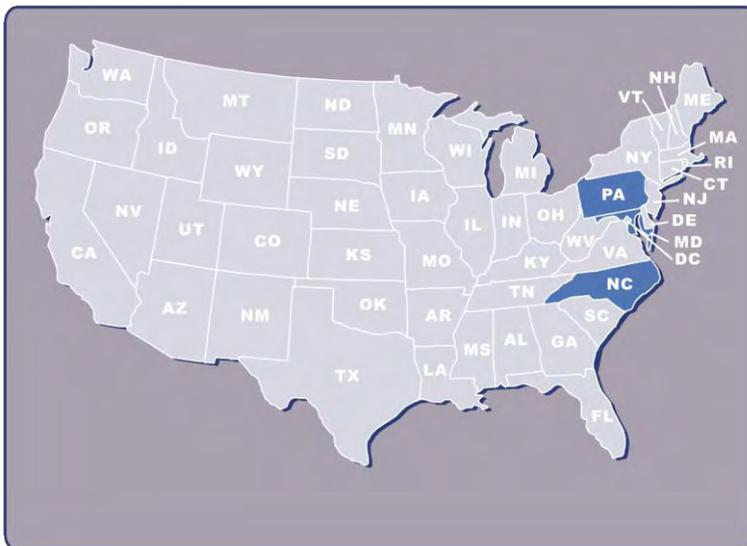
University of North Carolina
at Chapel Hill

◆ Pennsylvania

University of Pittsburgh

For contact information and project
abstracts:

<http://www.mchb.hrsa.gov/training/projects.asp?program=18>



◇ Bibliography

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