

# CCALAC AmeriCorps Health Fellows



## Who is CCALAC?

CCALAC is a nonprofit membership association with 65 nonprofit community clinics and health centers across Los Angeles County. CCALAC's mission is, "to promote community clinics and health centers as providers and advocates for expanding access to quality comprehensive health care for medically underserved people in Los Angeles County." The CCALAC vision is "to advance the health and wellness of communities throughout Los Angeles County, creating a comprehensive health care system for underserved populations to help reduce health disparities in the county."

## What is AmeriCorps and Health Fellows?

AmeriCorps is a national service program that engages more than 80,000 Americans in intensive service each year at over 21,600 unique sites including nonprofits, schools, clinics, and faith based groups across the country. AmeriCorps service is in areas such as education, health, disaster services, economic opportunity, and the environment. Health Fellows is CCALAC's AmeriCorps program focused specifically on community health and providing access to primary care and health services to under-resourced communities in Los Angeles County. Participants in the program are referred to as AmeriCorps Health Fellows.



## Where do Health Fellows Serve?

Health Fellows are placed within one of our 65 member clinics. These clinics vary in size, location, population served, duties and responsibilities. Clinic sites are located throughout Los Angeles County, from Long Beach to Santa Monica, South Los Angeles and other neighborhoods. When possible, we make every effort to match your placement to your geographical or service area preference.

## Health Fellows will serve in areas that include:



Health Education



Volunteer Mobilization



Insurance Enrollment



Case Management



Community Outreach



Chronic Disease Prevention

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*\*Being Bilingual is highly recommended for all positions, but only required for some. Due to the patient and client populations we serve, we are also looking for applicants that speak Spanish, Chinese (Mandarin or Cantonese) or Khmer in addition to being fluent in English. Not being bilingual will not automatically keep you out of the program though it may limit the positions you are eligible for.*

## Program Requirements

- Must be at least 18 years old
- Must be a U.S. Citizen or legal permanent resident of the U.S.
- Must pass a thorough background check (Sex offender, State, and FBI background check)
- H.S. Diploma required, BA strongly preferred
- Commit to serving full time 40 hours a week (complete 1700 hours within program start and end date)
- Proven experience/commitment to community service and health or social services
- Bilingual in Spanish, Chinese—Mandarin or Cantonese, or Khmer\*
- Local, community-oriented applicants preferred
- Personal transportation (car) recommended
- COVID-19 vaccination and proof of vaccination required
- In addition to the items mentioned above and due to the nature of the roles and your access and interaction with various patient populations, clinic sites may likely ask you for a TB test, physical and/or immunization records

## Program Benefits

- A stipend of \$24,500 for the program year
- AmeriCorps Health Insurance
- 8 - 10 personal/sick days to use throughout the program year
- Mileage reimbursements for travel to trainings and meetings
- Monthly training (Implicit Bias, Mental Health, etc.)
- Loan forbearance on most federal loans
- An education award of \$10,000
- Discounts/fee waiver on graduate and/or medical school applications



<https://ccalac.org/services/workforce/ameri-corps-health-fellows-program/>

## Application and Program Timeline:



*Note: This timeline is subject to change. Applicants to be notified should any changes arise.*

**Application Deadline: June 15, 2022**

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