

## Call for Fellows: WFPHA Fellowship Program 2024

The World Federation of Public Health Associations (WFPHA) is pleased to announce the WFPHA Fellowship Program 2024, hosted by the Norwegian Public Health Association (NOPHA). The WFPHA Fellowship Program aims to strengthen less developed public health associations and foster global partnerships by facilitating the exchange of expertise and knowledge among public health professionals from various countries. This unique opportunity is designed for talented, highly motivated mid-level professionals dedicated to a career in public health and seeking opportunities that can significantly contribute to their personal and professional growth. For 2024, two candidates will be selected to participate.

### Objectives:

1. Connecting emerging public health associations with an established and proven public health association to promote public health growth and understanding.
2. Facilitating and improving communication and strengthening network among the professionals of public health associations around the world.
3. Developing partnerships and practices that will positively affect and improve public health.
4. Documenting success or challenges that could serve as a learning tool for all Public Health Associations.
5. Aligning equity in public health globally.
6. Presenting and publishing findings and outcomes at the end of the project.

### Duration:

The fellowship program will run from 10<sup>th</sup> of October to 10<sup>th</sup> of November 2024 and will take place in Norway, mainly in Oslo. During the fellowship period, the accommodation will be organized by the Norwegian Public Health Association. It could be private homes, student, or tourist accommodation.

### Eligibility:

The call for applications is open to all members of Public Health Associations (PHAs) affiliated with WFPHA, who are in good standing. Applicants should hold a long-term mid-level position within their PHAs and play a central role in the PHA secretariat. Proficiency in English is mandatory. Gender and geographic balance will be considered in the selection process.

### **Funding:**

Travel, accommodation, visa and main meals of selected fellows will be covered by WFPHA. The fellows' PHA is required to cover travel/health insurance costs and anything not specified. There are no per diem allowances. Fellows are responsible for getting a visa if requested, as well as any authorization needed, which must be obtained no later than two months before the start of the fellowship. NOPHA can assist with an invitation letter.

### **Evaluation:**

All parties involved will participate in the evaluation of the program. Fellows are expected to provide a report at the General Assembly after completing fellowship and provide an update on the impact of the program, i.e., development and progress of fellows PHA, 18 months after its conclusion.

### **Application Process:**

Applicants should send their CV, a motivation letter highlighting what they would like to learn during the scholarship period, and a letter of support from the national PHA, signed by its president or general secretary. Applications should be sent to [Maria.Mata@wfpha.org](mailto:Maria.Mata@wfpha.org) by December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Shortlisted candidates will be contacted for an interview in January 2024.

### **Next steps:**

The selected fellows will be contacted in spring 2024. They will start their fellowship preparation through a series of online meetings with WFPHA and NOPHA from April 2024 on. They will take part in the development of the fellowship program and attend the NOPHA conference during their stay. During the fellowship program, the fellows shall actively participate in proposed activities including, but not limited to, webinars, meetings with key organizations, stakeholders and the NOPHA board, etc.

Join us in shaping the future of global public health. Let's work together to promote equity, foster collaboration, and make a difference in public health communities worldwide.

For further inquiries, please contact Maria Mata.