

# Training in the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences at NCI

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<https://cancercontrol.cancer.gov>

DCCPS Organization and Leadership

- Programs
  - Healthcare delivery
  - Surveillance
  - Epidemiology and genomics
  - Behavioral research
- Office of Cancer Survivorship
- Health Disparities and Health Equity
- Implementation science



# DCCPS KEY CROSS-CUTTING AREAS OF FOCUS



Health Equity



Data Strategies



Modifiable Risk Factors



Climate Change



Evidence-based Policy



Digital Health

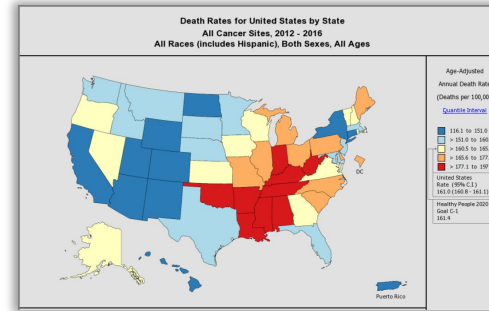
# Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences

## Examples of Interest Groups

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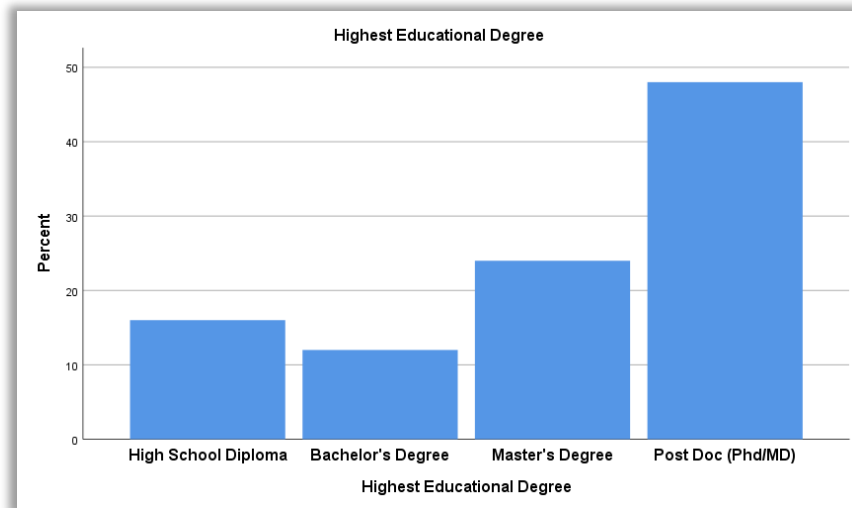
# Training Opportunities

- Data, data, data!
- Websites, communications
- Data visualization/GIS
- Project management
- Administration
- Primary data collection
  - Eye-tracking; usability; focus groups
  - Online panels
  - Crowd-sourced research participants
- Survey software (i.e., Qualtrics)
- Grants management



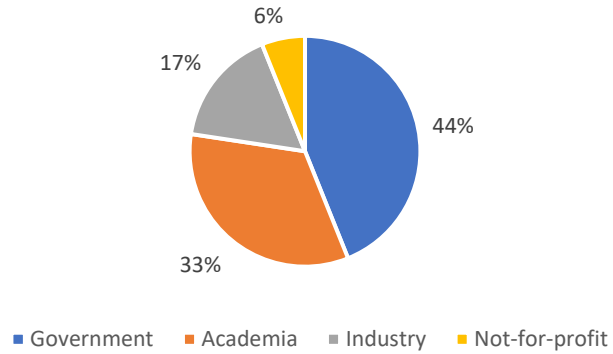
# DCCPS Fellows

- N = 43
- Currently: high school grads to post-docs
- US citizens or permanent residents (typically)
- Backgrounds including:
  - Psychology
  - Epidemiology
  - Public health
  - Health services
  - Communications
  - Pharmacy
  - Community health
  - Nutrition
  - Health education
  - Biology
  - Genetics
  - Human development
  - Computer science

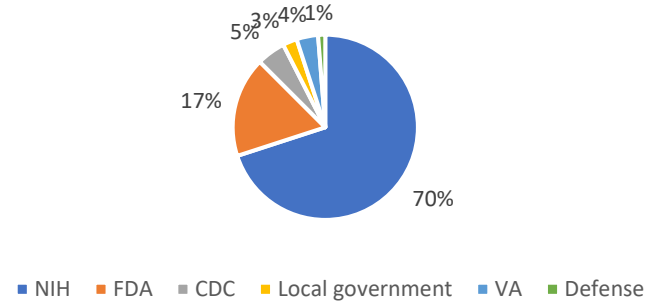


# Post-Fellowship Data

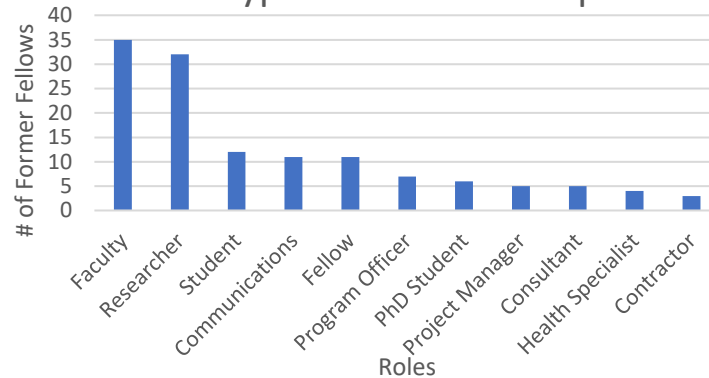
## Sector Post-Fellowship



## Government Locations Post-Fellowship



## Role Types Post-Fellowship



# Fellows Feedback



**“This has been a very valuable experience learning about many different career paths. I've really enjoyed my training experience.”**

**“Really enjoyed my experience at NCI and felt that it prepared me to be a competitive candidate when applying to Ph.D. programs.”**

**“I had a wonderful experience at NCI and would recommend the fellowship to anyone that asked.”**

**“Being in DCCPS was a particularly good experience. It's an incredibly warm and humane work environment, and the branch values work/life balance. I had a great quality of life while working in DCCPS.”**

**“My fellowship experience at NCI has been overwhelmingly positive, even in the midst of a pandemic. Working from home hasn't been fun, but NCI has provided ample support (physical/IT, mentorship, and social) to make it go smoothly.”**

**“I could not have asked for a better post-doctoral experience.”**



# DCCPS and You

- Culture of mentorship and collaboration
- Focus on diversity and inclusion
- Training and leadership opportunities
- Endless research and publication opportunities
- Access to many data sources and analytic tools
- Opportunities to collect primary data
- Fellows group (including other fellows)
- Membership in and contribution to branch activities
- Travel and meeting opportunities
- Family-friendly environment



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