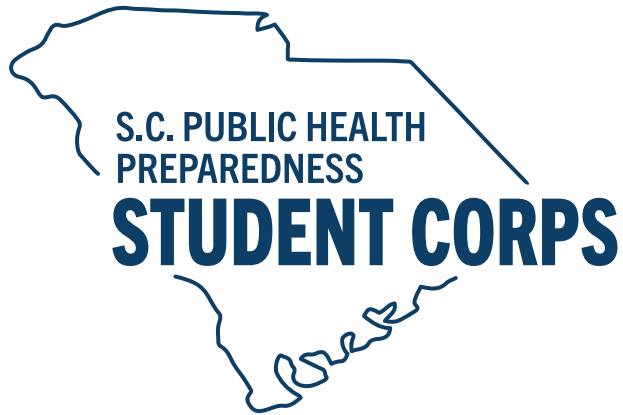


A prepared public health workforce is more critical than ever in the wake of emergencies!



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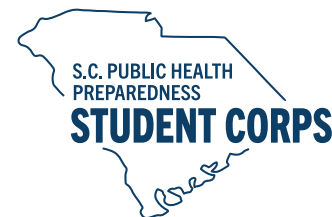
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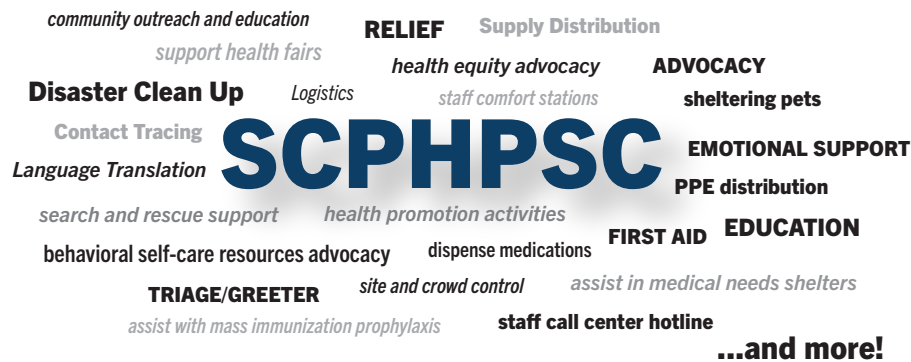
Expanding the South Carolina Public Health Workforce



**COLLEGE STUDENTS
MAKING A DIFFERENCE:
COMMUNITY RESILIENCE**

WHAT/WHY...

The South Carolina Public Health Preparedness Student Corps (SCPHPSC) is unique in its goal to recruit and train college students (interns) from diverse majors that range from social work, nursing, pre-med, and public health to business administration, information technology, and beyond. It is helping to meet the need for an expanded public health workforce. It results in increased access to the number of adequately trained personnel with skills to function as emergency responders, provide behavioral health and self-care aids for responders, health workforce development resources, and culturally relevant intervention that supports under-resourced communities. The SCPHPSC augments undergraduate academic curricula by providing hands-on experiences in emergency preparedness and response training that help deliver public health services:



In 2019, the Coronavirus pandemic led to a once-in-a-lifetime crisis of suffering, death, upended economies, social inequalities, and a severely strained public health workforce. Just 18 years earlier, the United States experienced one of the worst man-made disasters in its history with the collapse of the World Trade Center. Aid to manage both disasters came from an overwhelming number of persons of all ages, backgrounds, and education levels and taught us the power of a trained and skilled volunteer workforce willing to bolster community resilience in times of crisis.



HOW...



Students complete 27-30 hours of clinical immersion experiences including primarily online, self-paced modules:

- **Federal Emergency Management Agency Incident Command**
- **Medical Reserve Corps Training**
- **Contact Tracing Certification**
- **Health Equity Training with a focus on social determinants of health, behavioral health self-care, marginalized populations, global and transcultural health, human caring, and program management**

Students may also receive a stipend and/or the opportunity to attend prominent public health or disaster management leadership conferences as SCPHPSC participants.

A collaboration of five SC academic institutions, along with lead organization Clemson University, enrolls eligible students in the SCPHPSC.

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