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This e-mail is provided by the Urban Indian Health Institute, a division of the Seattle Indian Health Board. It contains opportunities for staff development, grant announcements and other relevant public health information. We hope you find these resources useful. If you have any questions about the information below, or you are unable to open any of the links, please contact info@uihi.org. If this e-mail was forwarded to you, you may sign up here.

Announcements

Call for Nominations for the Lucille Woodville Award

The United States Public Health Service, Nurse Professional Advisory Committee to the Office of the Surgeon General is pleased to announce a call for nominations for the 2012 Lucille Woodville Award. Please consider nominating an LPN, RN, or Advanced Practice Nurse for this prestigious maternal/child health award. Nominees can be Tribal, Civil Service, or Commissioned Corps.

The nomination deadline has been extended to February 10, 2012.
Additional details and submission instructions are available in the original [announcement](#).

If you need more information, please contact CDR Leigh Bernardino at leigh.bernardino@fda.hhs.gov or 301-827-4345 and CDR Tessa Brown at tbrown2@hrsa.gov or 301-443-0944.

### Grants

#### Indian Health Service Loan Repayment Program

The Indian Health Service (IHS) estimated 2012 budget includes over $20 million dollars for the IHS Loan Repayment Program (LRP) for health professional educational loans (undergraduate and graduate) in return for full-time clinical service in Indian health programs.

The funds will support over 400 competing awards averaging $44,510 per award for a two year contract. One year contract continuations will receive priority consideration in any award cycle.

Applicants selected for participation in the FY 2012 program cycle will be expected to begin their service period no later than September 30, 2012.

The first award deadline is **February 17, 2012**.

For more information go to the loan repayment program [website](#) or download the [Federal Register announcement](#).

### Training

#### Undergraduate Internships in Maternal and Child Health

The **Maternal and Child Health Careers/Research Initiatives for Student Enhancement (MCHC/RISE-UP) Program** provides opportunities for enhanced public health and related training to undergraduate students from underrepresented populations to encourage and support the pursuit of graduate degrees.

The program is designed for undergraduates in their junior and senior year, and recent baccalaureate degree students in psychology, social work, biology, nursing, public health, sociology, and other related disciplines who are interested in learning more about the prevention of health disparities.

The application deadline is **February 14, 2012**.

For more information and the application process please visit the [MCHC/RISE-UP website](#).

Interested students may contact Jenese McFadden, Program Coordinator for RISE-UP, with Kennedy Krieger by phone at 443-923-5879 or by email at McFaddenJ@KennedyKrieger.org
**Graduate Certificate in Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Epidemiology - Scholarships Available**

Working in partnership with the IHS, the United South and Eastern Tribes, Inc, county, and indigenous population representatives in Appalachian Kentucky, the University of Arizona Zuckerman College of Public Health and the University of Kentucky College of Public Health have designed a 15-credit Graduate Certificate course aimed at increasing the capacity in MCH epidemiology of MCH workers serving in underserved Indian Health Service regions and Appalachian counties. The Tuition scholarships are available for a limited number of students.

The course application deadline for 2012 intake is **March 1, 2012**.

See the program [website](#) for complete details and the application form.

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