

## Public Health Guidance U Receive by URL (“GURU”) Program (Public Health Professional Mentor Program)

### What is a Public Health “GURU?”

A Public Health “GURU” is a public health or other health professional who is interested in being a mentor or resource for students and young professionals. Your role is to offer advice on your field or other information that is requested.

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| Credentials  | MPH, CHES, CPH  |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
| Title  | Regional Program Manager  |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
| Organization   | USDOT-NHTSA   |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
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| County   | Suffolk County-Massachusetts  |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
| Organization web site  | <a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov">www.nhtsa.dot.gov</a>  |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
| Job category (you may indicate more than one. Please offer further explanation in the “professional background” section below.): | <input type="checkbox"/>  | Administrator            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Laboratory worker        | <input type="checkbox"/> | Vital statistician |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | Academician              | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Lawyer                   | <input type="checkbox"/> |                    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | Bioterrorism coordinator | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Mental health specialist | <input type="checkbox"/> |                    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | Counselor                | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Nurse                    | <input type="checkbox"/> |                    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | Dentist                  | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Physician                | <input type="checkbox"/> |                    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | Dietician/nutritionist   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Program coordinator      | <input type="checkbox"/> |                    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | Epidemiologist           | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Researcher               | <input type="checkbox"/> |                    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | Health economist         | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Sanitarian               | <input type="checkbox"/> |                    |
|  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>   | Health educator          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Social worker            | <input type="checkbox"/> |                    |
|  | <input type="checkbox"/>  | Informatics specialist   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Veterinarian             | <input type="checkbox"/> |                    |
|  | <b>Background Information</b>   |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
| When started in public health (or # years in public health)  | Started in this field in 1998; have been in current position for just over two years.   |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
| Educational background   | BA: Political Science (Minor English)-The Ohio State University (2003)<br>MPH: Health Behavior and Health Promotion-The Ohio State University (2006)<br>*Currently working on applying to DrPH programs |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
| Professional background  | NHTSA-Regional Program Manager  |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
| Association memberships  |   |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
|  | <b>Professional Information</b>   |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |
| Top three tips—if you are looking for a job in my field  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Utilize your contacts-network!</li> <li>2. Be thorough with the paperwork (application)</li> <li>3. Any additional trainings are useful</li> </ol>            |                          |                                     |                          |                          |                    |

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| Top three tips—if you are already in my field (from my experience)                      | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Patience is key</li> <li>2. Networking is incredibly important</li> <li>3. Staying organized-often there are multiple duties going on at once</li> </ol> |
| Top three tips—if you are looking for great resources (web sites, book, journals, etc.) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Traffic: Why We Drive the Way We Do</li> <li>2. The HBO series Smashed</li> <li>3. <a href="http://www.nhtsa.dot.gov">www.nhtsa.dot.gov</a></li> </ol>   |
| My expertise is in the following areas:   | Grant management, adolescent health, alcohol issues, motorcycle safety, bicycle and pedestrian safety, public speaking, networking, public policy  |
| <b>Mentor Contact Information</b>   |  |
| I would be willing to do the following (you may indicate more than one):                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Meet with you  |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Talk with you on the phone   |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Correspond with you via e-mail   |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Have you “shadow” me for a day (I work in a federal building so there would be some security protocols)  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Be a preceptor for you on a project   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to be contacted but just wanted to offer the useful tips above  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (indicate)  |
| How to contact me (you may indicate more than one):                                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phone  |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> E-mail   |
|   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fax  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Mail  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Please do not contact me  |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (indicate)  |