The Center for Healthcare Improvement and Patient Safety (CHIPS) and the Masters of Science in Health Policy Research at the University of Pennsylvania invite applications to the CHIPS Fellowship. This two-year fellowship combines health services research and policy training with formal and experiential training in quality improvement and patient safety methods. The fellowship will specifically prepare graduates for careers in health services research and health policy related to healthcare improvement in academic, government, and community settings and for leadership positions in healthcare quality and safety operations. Fellows will be fully integrated into and have access to the resources of the institutional quality and safety community at the University of Pennsylvania Health System or the Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia. Graduates receive a Masters of Science in Health Policy Research (MSHP) from Penn with a concentration in health care quality and safety.

An integral part of the CHIPS fellowship is rigorous training in health policy and health services research. Health services research investigates the organization, management, financing, and delivery of health care and the social forces that shape health in the US and the world. Health services researchers are intrinsically multidisciplinary, using tools from a wide range of scientific disciplines to gain insight into the complex challenges facing health care, including evaluation and improvement of healthcare quality. Core areas of research training include research methods, statistical analysis, health economics, and health policy.

Eligibility

Fellowship applicants will be physicians interested in applying the research methods and quality improvement methods to study, understand, and improve the quality and safety of patient care and the health care delivery system. The program can also be completed as part of a two-year research component of a fellowship or residency.

Application Process

Interested residents, fellows, or faculty can request MSHP application materials via email at mshp@mail.med.upenn.edu and review application requirements at http://www.med.upenn.edu/mshp/prospective-students.html.

Applicants should clearly indicate their interest in applying for the CHIPS fellowship program when drafting their personal statement and submitting their MSHP application. Applications will be accepted up until November 30, 2018. Additional information about the CHIPS fellowship can be found at: http://www.med.upenn.edu/chips/. Questions about the CHIPS fellowship should be directed to Jennifer Myers MD at: jennifer.myers@uphs.upenn.edu or Kathy Shaw MD MSCE at shaw@email.chop.edu. Questions about the MSHP program should be directed to Judy Shea PhD sheaja@mail.med.upenn.edu or Rachel Werner MD PhD at rwerner@upenn.edu.