Public Health Policy and Administration (PHPA) Track Competencies

1. Distinguish public health policy and administration from health care policy and administration, and articulate the importance of health in all policies.

2. Examine how public policy and established socio-economic structures influence population health and health disparities.

3. Develop strategies for leveraging policy to promote population health, health equity, and social and environmental justice.

4. Integrate ethical principles into public health policy, practice, research and administration by ensuring respect for diverse values, beliefs, and cultures and the dignity of individual and communities.

5. Demonstrate effective oral and written communication skills to present, explain and advocate for public health policies and programs.

6. Describe the policy-making process and identify the actors, structures and forces that influence and shape the public health policy process.

7. Conduct policy analysis in public health policy and administration, identifying and assessing policy options, outcomes, and potential contributions to population health and health disparities.

8. Apply appropriate methods to gather and analyze a robust basis of evidence to inform and evaluate public health policy, practice and administration.

9. Assess and translate available evidence into public health policy and administrative planning, development and implementation to promote population health and health equity.

10. Describe the organizational structures and administration of public health and health care systems.

11. Describe best-practice leadership and management principles as they relate to public health practice.