



IETA Cohort 22

2022-2023 Lookbook



FIELD ASSIGNMENTS OF COHORT 22

Bangladesh → Cameroon → Costa Rica → Democratic Republic of the Congo → Eswatini → Guatemala
Kazakhstan → Kenya → Kyrgyzstan → Laos → Lesotho → Liberia → Malawi → Mozambique → Rwanda
Sierra Leone → South Africa → Tajikistan → Tanzania → Thailand → Uganda → Vietnam → Zambia → Zimbabwe



OVERVIEW

The IETA program is a 12-month competency-based training program offered by CDC's Global Health Center. It is designed to offer HHS employees the opportunity to gain global public health experience, while providing technical assistance to CDC country offices and partners. Selected applicants participate in several week-long training workshops and a 12-week minimum international field assignment in a country where CDC works. Since the first IETA cohort of seven participants completed their international field assignments in 1998, the IETA program has gone on to provide over 480 HHS federal employees with the opportunity to explore whether working internationally is right for them.

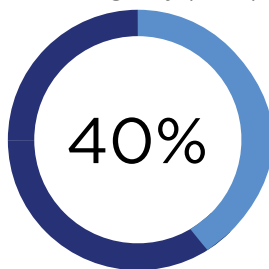
ABOUT COHORT 22

The IETA program relaunched in 2022 after a two-year pause in recruitment due to COVID-19. The participants of Cohort 22 began the IETA program in November 2022 with a closing workshop in October 2023. Their demographics, home agencies, professions, and international field assignment locations are shared on the next several pages.

DEMOGRAPHICS

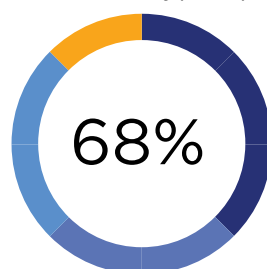
We extended 30 offers to join the 2022-2023 cohort. We invited each finalist to complete an anonymous and optional demographic survey, modeled after the annual HHS Demographic survey. We are sharing select demographics from the finalist survey. Over two-thirds of the finalists are from racial or ethnic minority groups. Forty percent of the finalists are from outside of CDC. The finalist cohort includes a range of GS-levels from GS-11 to GS-15.

Home Agency (n=30)



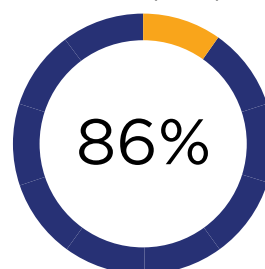
40% of finalists are from HHS agencies other than CDC.

Race/Ethnicity (n=28)



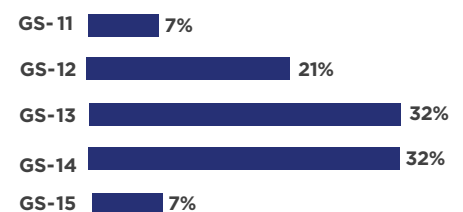
68% of finalists are from racial or ethnic minority groups.

Gender (n=28)



86% of finalists are cisgender females.

GS-Level (n=28)





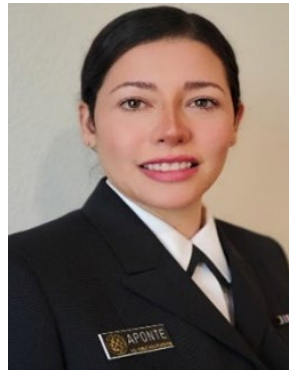
Meet the Cohort



Marques Adams
Home Agency: CDC
Profession: Business IT Specialist (Acquisitions)
Location: Malawi



Shelby Alexander, MS
Home Agency: CDC
Profession: Public Health Advisor
Location: Kenya



Zuleika Aponte, MHA, MLS (ASCP)^{CM}
Home Agency: CMS
Profession: Laboratory Scientist
Location: Cameroon



Ronna Bach, MPH
Home Agency: CMS
Profession: Data Specialist
Location: Zimbabwe



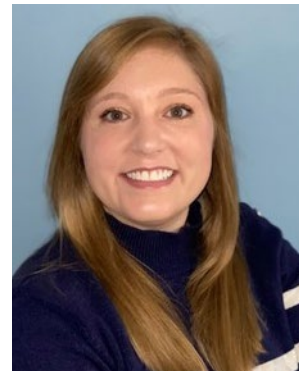
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Home Agency: NIH
Profession: Program Analyst
Location: South Africa



Tanesha La'Trelle Canzater, JD, MPA, MIS
Home Agency: ACF
Profession: Social Science Analyst
Location: Democratic Republic of the Congo



Sanchita Das, MD, MBBS, D(ABMM)
Home Agency: NIH
Profession: Microbiologist
Location: Liberia



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Profession: Science Analyst
Location: Tanzania



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Location: Uganda



Justin Holderman, MPH
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Location: Mozambique



Bella Hounakey, MSW
Home Agency: ACF
Profession: Program Management Specialist
Location: Cameroon



Adamma Ibe, MPH, CHES®
Home Agency: CDC
Profession: Emergency Management Specialist
Location: Uganda



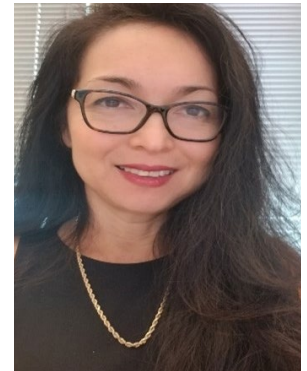
Nina Johnson, MS
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Profession: Project Officer
Location: Sierra Leone



Rhonda Kaetzel, PhD, DABT
Home Agency: ATSDR
Profession: Regional Director
Location: Tanzania



Dafna Kanny, PhD, MA
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Cecilia Kato, PhD
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Tiffany Kim

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Profession:
Public Health Advisor
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Lyn Nguyen, MPH

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**Sheila Okoth, PhD,
CQA (ASQ), CQIA
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Home Agency: CDC
Profession: Health Scientist
Location: Tanzania



Ryne Paulose, PhD, MA

Home Agency: CDC
Profession: Science Officer
Location: Eswatini



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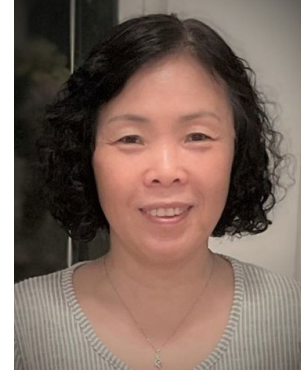
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