



## American Statistical Association

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Dear Colleague:

The American Statistical Association (ASA) is currently seeking applicants for the Research Fellowship Program at the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). Under this program, researcher (called Research Fellows), come to the NCHS headquarters to conduct research using NCHS data while interacting with the agency staff. This is a unique opportunity from both the researcher's and agency's perspective. A participant has available all the resources of the agency – including access to survey microdata that cannot be released due to the legal need to protect confidentiality of survey respondents. The NCHS has unique methodological problems that can be addressed by the researchers during the course of their work.

The program is funded by the NCHS, and researchers are reimbursed by NCHS through an Intergovernmental Personnel Agreement with their academic institution. Research Fellows in this program are recognized researchers. Fellowship candidates must submit detailed research proposals that will be evaluated by a Program Review Board. The fellowship term may be for 12 months and may be extended for one additional year under special circumstances. Salaries are commensurate with qualifications and experience.

The enclosed brochures provide more information on the program. We would appreciate it if you would post the brochures in prominent places, such as departmental bulletin boards. Please feel free to make additional copies. The fellowship brochure is available on the ASA web site at: [www.amstat.org/nchs](http://www.amstat.org/nchs).

For fullest consideration, fellowship applications are due by May 15, 2008. Final decisions will be made by August 1, 2008; however, applications will be accepted throughout the year until the positions are filled.

Anyone seeking additional information on the program should email the program contact person listed in the brochure. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joyce Narine", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Joyce Narine  
Grants Manager

Enclosure