



# **UTC MPH Core Competencies**

# I. Evidence-based Approaches to Public Health

- 1. Apply epidemiological methods to the breadth of settings and situations in public health practice
- 2. Select quantitative and qualitative data collection methods appropriate for a given public health context
- 3. Analyze quantitative and qualitative data using biostatistics, informatics, computer-based programming and software, as appropriate
- 4. Interpret results of data analysis for public health research, policy or practice

#### II. Public Health & Health Care Systems

- 5. Compare the organization, structure and function of health care, public health and regulatory systems across national and international settings
- 6. Discuss the means by which structural bias, social inequities and racism undermine health and create challenges to achieving health equity at organizational, community and societal levels

### III. Planning & Management to Promote Health

- 7. Assess population needs, assets and capacities that affect communities' health
- 8. Apply awareness of cultural values and practices to the design or implementation of public health policies or programs
- 9. Design a population-based policy, program, project or intervention
- 10. Explain basic principles and tools of budget and resource management
- 11. Select methods to evaluate public health programs

## IV. Policy in Public Health

- 12. Discuss multiple dimensions of the policy-making process, including the roles of ethics and evidence
- 13. Propose strategies to identify stakeholders and build coalitions and partnerships for influencing public health outcomes
- 14. Advocate for political, social or economic policies and programs that will improve health in diverse populations
- 15. Evaluate policies for their impact on public health and health equity

#### V. Leadership

- 16. Apply principles of leadership, governance and management, which include creating a vision, empowering others, fostering collaboration and guiding decision making
- 17. Apply negotiation and mediation skills to address organizational or community challenges

#### VI. Communication

- 18. Select communication strategies for different audiences and sectors
- 19. Communicate audience-appropriate public health content, both in writing and through oral presentation
- 20. Describe the importance of cultural competence in communicating public health content

## VII. Interprofessional Practice

21. Perform effectively on interprofessional teams

## VIII. Systems Thinking

22. Apply systems thinking tools to a public health issue

## IX. UTC MPH Concentration Competencies in Chronic Disease Prevention & Control

- 23. Describe the etiology and pathology of chronic diseases and their antecedent risk factors
- 24. Evaluate the impact of social determinants of health and the design of healthy communities on the distribution of chronic diseases
- 25. Establish priorities for chronic disease prevention and control efforts, in concert with community partners and stakeholders, by identifying and using primary and secondary data sources, community health status and health assessment data
- 26. Select basic social and behavioral strategies for diverse populations of individuals for the prevention and control of chronic diseases
- 27. Design a multi-level physical activity and nutrition intervention that includes social, cultural, environmental, and policy components