

Men's Health: A Silent Health Crisis



Why do men need a health advocate?

- 80% of **Suicide** deaths are men.
- Between ages 10-18, boys are four to five times more likely than girls to commit **Suicide**.
- Approximately 30,000 men die of **Prostate Cancer** each year.
- Men are increasingly **Isolated From Their Families** due to work or divorce.
- Over 60% of **High School Drop-Outs** are boys.
- Men suffer 92% of the **Fatal Workplace Injuries**.
- 80% of those who have serious **Drug Addictions** are men.
- 80% of the **Homeless** on America's streets are men and 35% of those are **Vietnam Veterans**.
- Men are more likely than women to suffer **Psychological Problems and Mental Illness** and 25 times more likely to be sentenced to **Prison**.
- Nearly 80% of all **Homicide** victims are male. 50% of domestic violence is committed against men.
- **Life Expectancy** for men is 5 years less than for women.

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www.menshealthmonth.org



Interns talk about the MHN experience

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www.youtube.com/mhnmedia
www.menshealthnetwork.org/intern.htm

Working here you feel important, you don't feel like an outsider. I...attended the Congressional Black Caucus, health fairs, and policy meetings. Coming here is a privilege. I couldn't ask for anything else. I enjoyed working with MHN.

John - North Carolina

It was definitely a good experience.
Chris - New York

I got a chance to get concrete hands-on experience...and I attended meetings on Capitol Hill, and with nonprofits in the area. My favorite event was the Time Out for Veterans Health event in the Redskins locker room.

Suzy - Virginia and North Carolina

I would definitely tell interns to come...and get involved.
Ammanuel Haile-Leul - Seattle and Ethiopia

It was really good to work here at MHN. I was invited by MHN to go to conferences and...I met the French President's brother. My advice, come here and work with the team...you will have a good experience.
Thomas - France

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*“An Informational and
Educational Organization
Recognizing Men's Health
as a Specific Social
Concern”*



A Capitol Internship Experience

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The Organization...

Men's Health Network is a non-profit organization, which is seeking students for an internship to promote the health need and the overall well being of men and their families. In 1994, MHN advocacy resulted in the passage of National Men's Health Week, recognized as the week leading up to and including Father's Day.

MHN is a national non-profit organization whose mission is to reach men and their families where they live, work, play and pray.



We at MHN also work on behalf of men's health concerns to promote effective public policies, assist with Congressional hearings, and to conduct one-on-one policy meetings with Congressional staff and other policy makers.

The Internship...

With offices located on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC, MHN interns are afforded an excellent opportunity to compile and analyze research on a variety of policy issues. This internship opportunity actively engages students as workplace professionals whose responsibilities could include but are not limited to:

- Preparation and presenting of educational briefings for Congressional staff
- Attending Congressional hearings and local seminars
- Developing health promotion activities for public, private, and faith-based entities.
- Researching family issues such as custody, domestic violence, child abuse, adoption, and foster care
- Authoring original research reports on various health-related issues
- Development of original health informational brochures and literature hand-outs
- Web site content
- Represent MHN at trade shows and public policy events

The Experience...

This internship is a hands-on opportunity in public policy.

Qualifications include enthusiasm, basic computer skills, confidence in written and oral communication skills, and independent initiative is highly recommended. Work hours are negotiable and flexible. A member of our staff also assists you in developing a learning experience that is tailored to best suit your interests upon arrival at Men's Health Network.

"My internship at MHN gave me great exposure to the Hill and an opportunity to explore all areas of public policy, education and outreach."

Scott Hepburn, Junior, Ithaca College.

For more information and internship applications visit our website at:

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