

# 2025 CIVIC HEALTH FELLOWSHIP



## Be an Agent of Systemic Change

Healthcare professionals like you have earned deep trust within our communities. Now you can expand your impact by mobilizing your patients and colleagues to become civically engaged. Step into the forefront of nonpartisan civic action with the transformative Vot-ER Civic Health Fellowship.

As a Civic Health Fellow, you'll receive expert training in community organizing and civic engagement strategies, along with the resources and support needed to launch effective nonpartisan civic engagement campaigns. You'll join a nationwide network of healthcare leaders who are advancing democracy through their trusted positions in the community.

## Why It Matters

Research shows that civic engagement is directly linked to better health outcomes. By helping patients register to vote, you're not just strengthening democracy – you're advancing public health in your community. This Fellowship empowers you to build on your trusted position, develop leadership skills in community organizing, and create sustainable change through nonpartisan civic engagement.

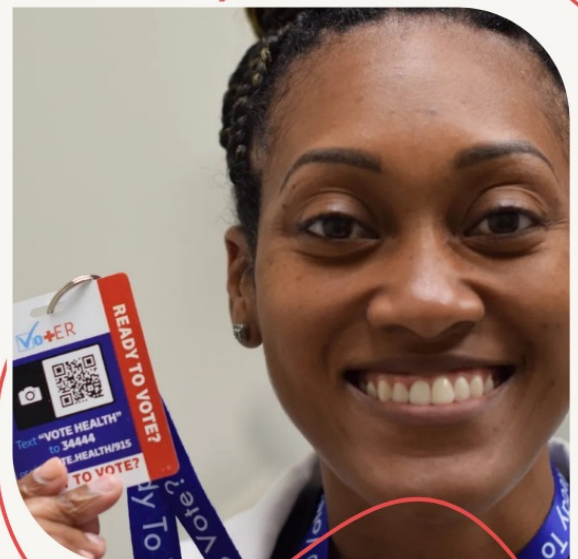
Join a vibrant movement of healthcare professionals working at the intersection of civic engagement and health. Together, we can build healthier communities through civic engagement.

## Program Structure

The 8-month Fellowship runs from April through November and requires about 5-10 hours per month. You'll participate in bimonthly 90-minute virtual training sessions, collaborate in small groups with fellow healthcare professionals, and gain hands-on experience leading nonpartisan civic engagement campaigns.

## Who It Is For

- You are a health professional who's passionate about advocating for your patients.
- You want to work alongside a team of your colleagues to positively impact your patients and communities through civic engagement
- You are in a place in your work where you can commit to driving civic engagement work in your community.



# 2025 CIVIC HEALTH FELLOWSHIP



## Program Schedule with World Class Faculty

Learn from civic engagement experts including Nobel Peace Prize nominee Srdja Popovic, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health professor Pedja Stojicic, and community organizer Brian Archie. Sessions meet virtually on **Wednesdays from 6:00–7:30 PM Eastern Time**, designed to accommodate healthcare professionals' busy schedules.

- **April 9** - Kickoff Session
- **April 16** - Module 1: Teams Part 1 & Vision of Tomorrow
- **April 30** - Module 1: Teams Part 1 & Vision of Tomorrow
- **May 7** - Module 2: Public Narrative
- **May 14** - Module 2: Public Narrative
- **June 4** - Module 3: Pillars of Support & Relationships
- **June 18** - Module 3: Pillars of Support & Relationships
- **June 25** - Module 4: Campaign Strategic Goal & Strategy/Planning
- **July 16** - Module 4: Campaign Strategic Goal & Strategy/Planning
- **Aug TBD** - Guest Lecture(s)
- **Sept 3** - Module 5: Tactics
- **Sept 17** - Module 5: Tactics
- **Oct 15** - Module 6: Snowflake & Campaign Structure
- **Oct 29** - Module 6: Snowflake & Campaign Structure
- **Nov 12** - Celebration Session

## Fellowship Campaign

Throughout the program, you'll collaborate with fellow healthcare professionals to design and implement a nonpartisan civic engagement campaign. Working in teams, you'll pursue one of these key objectives:

- Build a grassroots team of health professionals at your institution/association to participate in civic engagement efforts and/or advocate for your patients
- Create institutional change by integrating civic engagement initiatives into your organization or association's standard practices and procedures
- Advance policy reforms around democracy and/or health
- Develop innovative approaches to civic engagement that align with your environment's unique needs and opportunities



# 2025 CIVIC HEALTH FELLOWSHIP



## Eligibility & Team Requirements

The Fellowship is open to all healthcare professionals, including physicians, nurses, social workers, physician assistants, administrators, community health workers, and students in healthcare fields. Successful candidates will have the flexibility to implement civic engagement initiatives and the motivation to drive change in their communities.

Teams are a core element of the Fellowship. While each individual applies individually, you must be part of a team at your institution or healthcare association. If you don't have a team, contact [leah@vot-er.org](mailto:leah@vot-er.org) for support in building one.



## Program Investment

Vot-ER offers sliding-scale fees to ensure the Fellowship is accessible to all healthcare professionals:

- *Community health workers/promotoras*: \$10 (\$5 for active Vot-ER members)
- *Medical, nursing, or social work students*: \$100 (\$50 for active Vot-ER members)
- *Social workers, nurses, residents, and interns*: \$200 (\$100 for active Vot-ER members)
- *Physician assistants and administrators*: \$500 (\$250 for active Vot-ER members)
- *Attending physicians*: \$1,000 (\$500 for active Vot-ER members)

Financial aid is available upon request, and no candidate will be turned away due to cost. We encourage participants to seek program coverage through their academic institutions, CME funds, or other professional development resources.

## Ready to Apply?

**Priority Deadline: March 16th**

**Final Deadline: March 31st**

Submit your application through our online portal. Remember that each team member must apply separately, listing their team members in the application. Questions about the application process? Contact [leah@vot-er.org](mailto:leah@vot-er.org).

**APPLY NOW**  
[vot-er.org/fellowship](http://vot-er.org/fellowship)

**Application Deadlines - Priority : March 16th, Final: March 31st**  
**CONTACT LEAH FORD AT [LEAH@VOT-ER.ORG](mailto:LEAH@VOT-ER.ORG) WITH ANY QUESTIONS**