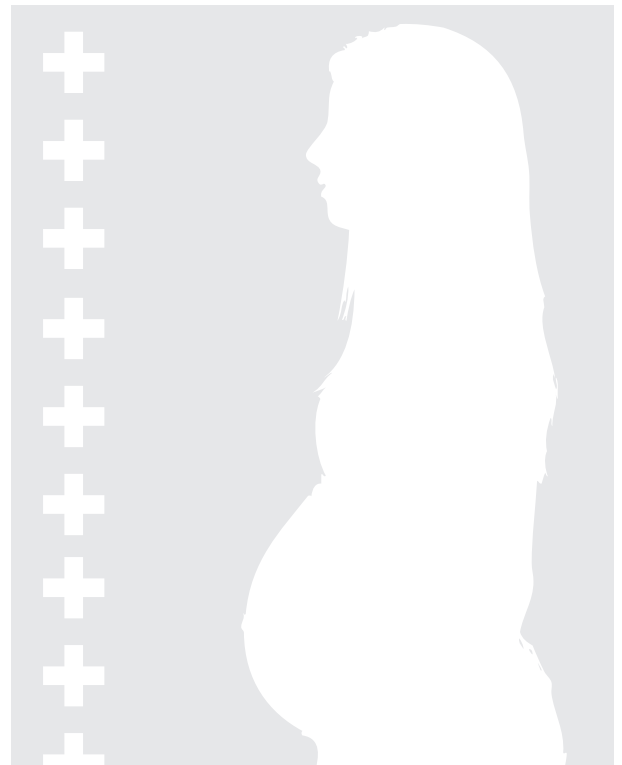


Maternal + Child Health

The primary goal of **Maternal + Child Health** professionals is to promote and protect the health of pregnant mothers and their children with hopes that their health and well-being will bring about a brighter future. From local to international settings, Maternal + Child Health experts use education, advocacy and research as tools to improve access to care and affect behaviors of the communities they serve. A wide variety of professionals are needed in Maternal + Child Health to address a wide variety of issues including family planning, women's health, prenatal care, high-risk pregnancy and infertility management, universal newborn screening, immunizations and health coverage, flu vaccination campaigns, adult health screening and more.

For example, an expert in the field of Maternal + Child Health might develop a program to help pregnant women suffering from HIV/AIDS to deliver a healthy infant, mastermind a media campaign to educate pregnant women on the dangers of smoking tobacco during their pregnancy, link data to reduce infant mortality or coordinate care for children with serious medical condition.



DID YOU KNOW?

80% of all American children access or connect with one or more maternal and child health program, making MCH a vital resource for families — especially those with special needs.

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Specialization

reproductive health, family planning, women's health, screening and immunizations, nursing, health education, global and international health, policy development, prenatal and postnatal services, epidemiology and much more

Work Environment

Local, state, and federal public health agencies, academic and research institutions, community-based organizations, global and international health agencies and much more

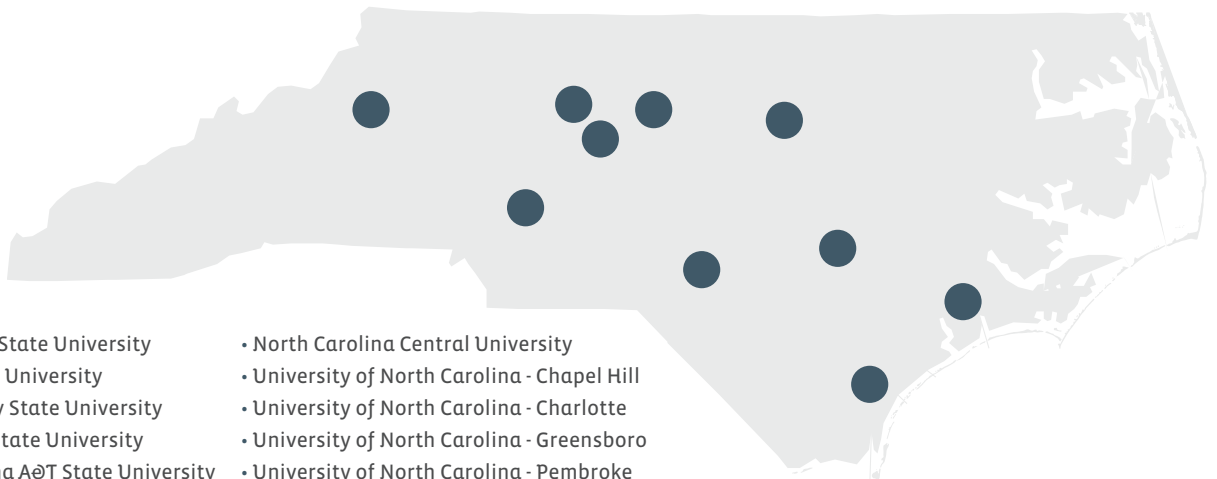
Education Requirements

The minimum requirement for becoming a maternal & child health specialist is a bachelors degree in science, medical, biological or health sciences and a master's degree in public health (MPH) with a maternal & child health or family health concentration.

Potential Career Opportunities

Public Health Educator | Patient Educator | Public Health Nurse | Professor / Researcher
Case Manager | Social Worker | Pharmacist | Physician | Epidemiologist | Policy Analyst

Where can I go to study Maternal + Child Health?



- Appalachian State University
- East Carolina University
- Elizabeth City State University
- Fayetteville State University
- North Carolina A&T State University
- North Carolina Central University
- University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
- University of North Carolina - Charlotte
- University of North Carolina - Greensboro
- University of North Carolina - Pembroke