

Honor and Integrity

The mission of the U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps is to protect, promote, and advance the health and safety of our Nation. As America's uniformed service of public health professionals, the Commissioned Corps achieves its mission through:

- Rapid and effective response to public health needs
- Leadership and excellence in public health practices
- Advancement of public health science

The core values of the Commissioned Corps are:

Leadership

Provides vision and purpose in public health through inspiration, dedication, and loyalty.

Service

Demonstrates a commitment to public health through compassionate actions and stewardship of time, resources, and talents.

Integrity

Exemplifies uncompromising ethical conduct and maintains the highest standards of responsibility and accountability.

Excellence

Exhibits superior performance and continues improvement in knowledge and expertise.

Career Development: Definition

Career Development defined is a focused effort or process in which an officer obtains needed experience and utilizes the most current knowledge and tools available to enhance his/her capacity to serve and to make choices that will guide him/her through a successful and fulfilling Public Health Service (PHS) career. Successful Career Development is dependent on a combination of experience and training. The purpose of career development for PHS commissioned officers is to enhance the mission of the PHS and the Commissioned Corps by providing opportunities for professional growth for officers (CC25.2.C.2).