The Task Force on Design and Analysis in Oral Health Research invites applications for its new Traineeship in Oral Health Research Statistics. The Traineeship's purpose is to bring biostatistics, epidemiology or statistics graduate students into dental research in a hands-on way that is useful to dental-research programs. Eligible persons are Masters or PhD students in a graduate program in biostatistics, epidemiology or statistics, jointly sponsored by their department and by a dental school or research institute.

A student's Traineeship would last one or two years. Each year of the Traineeship would fund one-half of the usual salary and fringe benefits for a full assistantship in the trainee's home department (up to $20,000 per year), with the other half matched by the sponsoring department or dental school/research institution. Besides salary support, the Trainee and their home-department faculty advisor will be invited to Task Force meetings during the Traineeship.

A short application is due 1 February 2009, with a recipient chosen by 1 March 2009 and notified immediately. The application will mainly describe the Trainee's work, which will be either integral involvement in oral-health research at the sponsoring dental school/research institution, or a mix of integral involvement in an oral-health research project and teaching biostatistics, epidemiology, or statistics to DDS or graduate students. Further details, including examples of suitable types of work, are available at the Task Force's web site http://www.taskforceondesign.org/traineeships.php.

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