



**Volunteer Opportunity: Health Information Systems Volunteer**

Based in Mae Sot, Thailand

**Dates:** Beginning spring or summer 2009 and continuing for a minimum of 6 months, preferably one year

**Description of Organization:** Planet Care/Global Health Access Program is a small, non-profit organization working to improve the well-being of communities in crisis, through the provision of health and public health services, capacity building, and resource enhancement. Our work currently focuses on the internally displaced communities in the border areas of Burma. Projects include malaria control, reproductive health, tuberculosis, trauma and landmine injury management, and population-based surveys on health and human rights. For more information, please visit [www.ghap.org](http://www.ghap.org).

**Summary:** We are seeking a volunteer to assist GHAP and our local partners in creating and maintaining health information systems. Key responsibilities include:

- Assist with training programs, workshops, and other participatory activities that will broaden knowledge and practice of effective monitoring and evaluation of cross-border health programs.
- Provide technical assistance in the design, strengthening, and maintenance of information systems to support program activities.
- Assist data teams from local organizations in creating and using Access databases to enter, manage, and analyze data.
- Work one-on-one with partner organizations to troubleshoot and assist with data management issues.
- Work with local partners to coordinate and standardize health information across agencies.

**Qualifications/Requirements:**

- Undergraduate degree in public health or related field, preferably with substantial biostatistics or epidemiology coursework

- Experience and familiarity with surveys, research methodologies, qualitative and quantitative research methods, and sampling techniques
- Experience with Access and related software
- International experience preferred
- Capacity building/training experience preferred
- Flexible approach, ability to work independently, and can-do attitude

**Application Process:**

Candidates should send a CV and covering email to Erin McDevitt at [info@ghap.org](mailto:info@ghap.org) by January 15, 2009.

**Compensation:**

This is an unpaid, volunteer opportunity. We encourage our volunteers to seek outside stipends/scholarships to support their work. Depending on the circumstances, Planet Care/GHAP may be able to cover select costs associated with the internship.