



Injury Prevention Center

Spring 2026

The Hayley Petit Injury and Violence Prevention Fellowship

THE HAYLEY PETIT INJURY AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION FELLOWSHIP: The Hayley Petit Injury and Violence Prevention Fellowship was established with support from the Petit Family Foundation to honor Jennifer Hawke-Petit, Hayley Elizabeth Petit and Michaela Rose Petit. The Fellowship seeks to honor “the kindness, idealism and activism that defined their lives,” while also advancing the mission of Connecticut's Injury Prevention Center to reduce injury and violence among Connecticut’s children, adolescents and adults through research, education and training, community outreach and policy advocacy.

ABOUT THE FELLOWSHIP: The Fellowship is an exciting 10-week program with Connecticut Children's Injury Prevention Center (IPC). This program provides recipients with an introduction to the fields of public health and injury prevention. Selected applicants will participate in this immersion into the field of injury prevention through readings, discussions, and presentations by IPC faculty and staff. Fellows will work in person with experts at the IPC to develop and design their own injury prevention-related poster which they will present at a final symposium to representatives from the hospital, the Petit Family Foundation, including Dr. Petit. Additionally, Fellows may have the opportunity to participate in clinical and community injury prevention job shadows, as well as community outreach events.

Fellowship recipients are selected for their interest in injury and violence prevention and public health as expressed in a one page essay (see details below) and indicated by your resume. Each Fellow is awarded a \$1000 stipend at the end of the session. Fellows are expected to commit 6 hours a week to the Fellowship, including a weekly in person and remote meeting.

In person meetings will be held on Wednesday afternoons from 2-5pm at 10 Columbus Boulevard, in Hartford CT. The day and time of the remote meeting will be determined after Fellows are selected.

Eligibility: The fellowship is open to students who identify as women, are able to receive federally taxed wages and are currently enrolled in an undergraduate degree-granting program of a college or university. Students should have access to reliable transportation to and from Hartford.

Applications Due: Friday February 6, 2026

Applicants Notified of Decision: Monday February 16, 2026

Program Begins: Wednesday February 18, 2026

Program Concludes: Wednesday April 29, 2026

HOW TO APPLY:

A complete applicant package includes:

- 1) Your résumé
- 2) A one page, single space essay (or letter) that explains
 - a) Your interest in injury and violence prevention
 - b) What you hope to accomplish during the fellowship
 - c) How the fellowship connects with your long term career goals.

Completed submissions should be emailed to Rebecca Beebe, PhD at rbeebe01@connecticutchildrens.org.