

## **Digest 15 – February 2026**

### **Theme: Job Search Strategies**

Identifying job search strategies and resources for Fellows.

#### **Cohort Discussion:**

Conversations between mentors and mentees can help identify strategies and resources to help Fellows find new opportunities during their transition post-Fellowship. Fellows should explore what their interests are, what they would like to pursue and why, and what next steps they can take. Mentors and Fellows can share their insight and personal experiences to help identify new opportunities and navigate potential obstacles, including sharing what has been helpful to them in their past job searches.

Key strategies to discuss include:

- Activating professional networks such as former classmates or colleagues and leveraging networking platforms such as LinkedIn
- Identifying where to search for opportunities and setting up job alerts for updates
- Identifying employers and recruiters to follow on social media or other platforms
- Tailoring resumes for job applications

In your next mentorship cohort meeting, spend time discussing the questions below:

- What types of opportunities are you looking for post-Fellowship? Where are the best places to find these types of opportunities? Are there specific strategies you should consider when applying?
- How are you currently building your professional network (e.g. joining professional organizations, making new connections, etc.)?
- What additional training, skills, or resources would help you reach your next job opportunity? How can you leverage what you have learned in your Fellowship? Are there other courses, certifications, books, or other learning resources that would benefit your professional growth?
- What other steps can you take to move toward your next professional opportunity?

Some resource links to support your job search and related discussion are listed below:

[NYSPHC Resources - Public Health Careers](#)

[NYSPHC Resources - Public Health Trainings](#)

[NYS Department of Labor - Resumes, Cover Letters and Job Applications](#)

[NYSPHC Resources - NYSPHC Educational Series:](#)

- Resume Writing - April 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025
- Interviewing Skills - April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2025
- Navigating Department of Labor Resources: Empowering Public Health Professionals in New York State - February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2026