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## **NACCHO's Kathleen Kelley Named a Johns Hopkins Bloomberg Fellow**

*—Cayucos, Calif. Native Is a Program Analyst on the HIV, STI, & Viral Hepatitis Team—*

**Washington, DC, June 5, 2018** — The [National Association of County and City Health Officials](#) (NACCHO), representing the nation's nearly 3,000 local governmental health departments is pleased to announce that Kathleen Kelley has been selected as a 2018 Bloomberg Fellow with the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health.

Fellows receive a full scholarship to earn a Master of Public Health or Doctor of Public Health degree. The Bloomberg Fellows program represents an innovative way to train the next generation of public health leaders, as it requires not only a commitment to public health practice from the students, but also a commitment of collaboration from the organizations for which they already work. Ms. Kelley has been accepted into the part-time MPH program focusing on risks to adolescent health.

Kat Kelley is a Program Analyst on the HIV, STI, & Viral Hepatitis team at NACCHO. As Program Analyst, Kat leads the HIV, STI, and Viral Hepatitis Workgroup, which provides guidance and input on NACCHO's programmatic and advocacy priorities, and manages the HIV, STI, & Viral Hepatitis Sentinel Network, an important mechanism through which NACCHO gathers the perspectives of local health departments (LHDs) through brief, timely

surveys. Kat also supports a cooperative agreement to build the capacity of LHDs to implement adolescent sexual health initiatives in partnership with educational agencies.

Prior to joining NACCHO, Kat supported advocacy and communications efforts for the Global Health Technologies Coalition, a network of nonprofits—housed at PATH—advocating for global health research and development. Kat received a BS in International Health from Georgetown University. She is a native of Cayucos, (San Luis Obispo County), CA.

"NACCHO is so proud to be a collaborating organization with the JHU Fellows Program to advance the public health workforce, and elated with Kat's acceptance into this prestigious program," said NACCHO Chief Executive Officer Lori Tremmel Freeman, MPP. "This also represents a wonderful opportunity for Kat and NACCHO to focus efforts on risks to adolescents and to strengthen our overall adolescent health work."

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### **About NACCHO**

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) represents the nation's nearly 3,000 local governmental health departments. These city, county, metropolitan, district, and tribal departments work every day to protect and promote health and well-being for all people in their communities. For more information about NACCHO, please visit [www.naccho.org](http://www.naccho.org).