

## Vaccine Researcher Position

Kaiser Permanente Southern California (KPSC) is searching for candidates for an exciting research position for vaccine safety, effectiveness and efficacy research. This is an open-rank position for a doctorally-prepared epidemiologist or pharmacoepidemiologist.

KPSC is a leading managed care organization that provides integrated care for approximately 3.2 million members of diverse race and ethnicity from Southern California. The integrated health care provided to these members is tracked through a paper unit record which is in transition to a system-wide electronic health record. KPSC has excellent administrative information infrastructure that includes the tracking of the administration of all vaccinations as well as all diagnoses and procedures observed or undertaken in all medically attended visits, providing outstanding passive follow-up of important outcomes. This is augmented by detailed pharmacy information.

KPSC is currently conducting a number of vaccine safety studies, and has been recently awarded a multi-year contract to participate in the Vaccine Safety Datalink (VSD) project. In addition, internal infrastructure to conduct vaccine clinical trials is being developed.

This hard-money position will provide a core support package for the successful applicant that can be used to conduct pilot studies that leverage existing infrastructure for an extramurally funded program. This support includes staff for administrative tasks, programming and analytic staff and study assistants as well as modest funding for non-personnel-related costs.

A description of the Department of Research & Evaluation is available on the web (<http://kp.org/research>). It is the home to 12 doctorally prepared investigators and over 70 support staff. The Department is located in Pasadena, a community of 134,000 residents and the home of the California Institute of Technology, the Rose Bowl, the Jet Propulsion Lab, and other historical and cultural sites. Information about the community can be found on-line at [www.pasadenacal.com/visitors.htm](http://www.pasadenacal.com/visitors.htm). Pasadena is in the San Gabriel Valley 15 minutes north of downtown Los Angeles in sunny southern California.

Interested candidates should submit their letter of interest, CV and references to Dr. Steven J. Jacobsen (c/o [bianca.p.cheung@kp.org](mailto:bianca.p.cheung@kp.org)). Principals only.

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