KAISER PERMANENTE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (KPSC)

Senior Health Services Researcher

The Department of Research and Evaluation at Kaiser Permanente Southern California (KPSC) is recruiting candidates for a Senior Health Services Researcher (Professor equivalent). This is a position for an established, academic track faculty in health service research. The Senior Health Services Researcher is expected to lead the health services research program at KPSC and address a wide range of research questions related to improving quality of health care, such as the comparative effectiveness of delivery systems; patient education; patient-centered care; health care for ethnic minorities; children, elderly, and other special populations; as well as health care access, utilization, and cost of care. The research program should be geared towards translation of results directly to patient care. The Senior Health Services Research may also serve as the Associate Director, who will assist the Director of Research at the Department of Research and Evaluation in overseeing department operation, supervision/mentoring, and the development of the research programs.

Qualifications: Doctoral Degree (Ph.D., Dr. PH, MD, Sc.D) in health service research, epidemiology, health economics or related fields or equivalent training and mastery. Competent in advanced research methods, including statistical techniques and study design commonly used in health services research, epidemiologic, behavioral, economics or related fields. At least 10 years of experience in health services research is required. Proven success in the academic environment with an established track record in extramural grant funding, scientific publications and mentoring junior investigators required. Must be able to consistently demonstrate the knowledge, skills, abilities, and behaviors necessary to provide superior and culturally sensitive service to each other and to our members.

Duties: The Senior Health Services Researcher has primary responsibility for the planning and directing health services research activities as well as dissemination and translation of results. Reports to the Director of Research. Prepares internal reports and peer-reviewed publications, independently and collaboratively. Presents at national scientific meetings. Teaches and/or reviews papers for national and international journals. Evaluates and consults on research proposals. Supervises the activities of junior research scientists or postdocs. Serves as mentor and collaborator on grant proposals of junior research scientists and postdocs. Designs, develops, and directs well defined research. Provides service to the scientific community through membership in peer-review groups and national boards. May consult with local, state and national voluntary and governmental agencies. Provides consultation and direction to programmatic and biostatisticians with regard to data management and analysis strategies. Maintains awareness of scientific developments within his/her area of expertise, both in terms of new methodology, new research activities and in terms of identification of competent, potential investigators. Consistently supports compliance and the Principles of Responsibility (Kaiser Permanente’s Code of Conduct) by maintaining the privacy and confidentiality of information, protecting the assets of the organization, acting with ethics and integrity, reporting non-compliance, and adhering to applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations. Responsible for qualification and licensing requirements (if applicable), and ensures adherence to policies and procedures. In addition to defined technical requirements, accountable for consistently demonstrating service behavior and principles defined by the Kaiser Permanente Service Quality Credo, the KP mission as well as the specific departmental/organizational initiatives.

This hard-money funded position will include a core support package for the successful applicant that can be used to conduct pilot studies that leverage existing infrastructure to facilitate the development of an extramurally funded research program. This support includes staffing for administrative tasks, programming and analysis, and research support 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 18 doctorally-prepared investigators and the home of the California Institute of Technology, 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. Pasadena is in the San Gabriel Valley 15 minutes north of downtown Los Angeles in sunny southern California.

Kaiser Permanente Southern California is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer and offers competitive salary and comprehensive benefit packages.

Interested candidates should submit their letter of interest, CV and references to Dr. Steven J. Jacobson (c/o Jennifer.X.Wong@kp.org). Princpals only.
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Assistant/Associate Professor of Epidemiology

(12 month tenure-track)
Virginia Commonwealth University
Department of Epidemiology and Community Health

The Department of Epidemiology and Community Health at Virginia Commonwealth University invites applications for several tenure-track academic positions in epidemiology. Located just two hours south of Washington, D.C., VCU boasts one of the country’s most comprehensive health sciences centers, including the Schools of Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing, Dentistry, and Allied Health Professions, as well as the Massey Cancer Center. The University is developing a School of Public Health within which the current Departments of Epidemiology and Community Health, Biostatistics, Health Administration, and Social and Behavioral Health are core departments. Now is an exciting time to join the Department and play a critical role in the establishment of the first School of Public Health in Virginia.

Applicants must possess a doctoral degree in epidemiology or a related field and have a strong research background with an existing or emerging funded research program. Candidates whose research focus includes: social epidemiology, nutritional epidemiology, cardiovascular disease epidemiology, cancer epidemiology, and environmental epidemiology are particularly encouraged to apply. We value experience teaching and mentoring at the graduate level. Applicants must possess excellent oral and written communication skills. The successful candidates will play a central role in the developing School of Public Health and the Department’s program of teaching and research. The successful candidate will be expected to develop/sustain an independent, funded research program. Salary is highly competitive and commensurate with experience.

Applicants should send a cover letter highlighting qualifications and research interests, curriculum vitae, and the names and addresses of three professional references by email to: eps@vcu.edu (preferred), or mail to: Kate L. Lapane, PhD, Professor and Chair, Department of Epidemiology and Community Health, Virginia Commonwealth University, P.O. Box 980212, Richmond, VA 23298. Applications will be reviewed as received, and the positions will remain open until filled.

Virginia Commonwealth University is an equal opportunity/affirmative action employer. Women, minorities, and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.

Health and Human Services
National Institutes of Health
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
Tenure Track Investigators, Epidemiology Branch

The Division of Epidemiology, Statistics and Prevention Research (DESPR) of the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), National Institutes of Health (NIH), invites applications for the position(s) of Tenure Track Investigator in the Epidemiology Branch. The Branch conducts cutting-edge reproductive, perinatal and pediatric epidemiology research focusing on genetic and environmental determinants of human reproduction, pregnancy and child health, along with innovative methodological research. Candidates will be evaluated with regard to their ability to develop a creative and productive program of independent and collaborative research. The ideal candidate will have demonstrated research experience in reproductive epidemiology, particularly the role of nutritional and other environmental exposures and reproductive health. Secondly, candidates with research experience including but not limited to genetic (omics) epidemiology in reproductive or perinatal outcomes are also encouraged to apply.

Eligible candidates must have either an earned doctoral degree in epidemiology or a closely related field or a medical degree with a graduate degree in epidemiology from an accredited university, excellent communication skills, and relevant refereed publications.

Full Federal benefits including salary, leave, health and life insurance, long-term care insurance, retirement, and savings plan (401k equivalent) will be provided.

Questions about the position can be addressed by Dr. Enrique Schisterman, Chief & Senior Investigator, Epidemiology Branch, at 301-496-5582. Interested individuals should email a cover letter describing research interests and professional accomplishments, curriculum vitae, and the names and contact information for three references to: Adrienne Lonabarger

Program Analyst, DESPR, NICHD
6100 Executive Blvd, Room 7805, Rockville, MD 20852
email: lonabarger@nih.gov

Applications received November 1, 2010, will be considered for a first round of interviews, but applications will be accepted until all available positions are filled.

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