PCORI Careers

Program Officer, Science, Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research

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514-858

Job Description

Department: Science, Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research
Reports to: Program Director, Science, Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research

Position Summary

The Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) is conducting a national search for scientific program officers to support the Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research program. The mission of the Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research program is to develop, fund, and manage comparative effectiveness research studies of strategies (e.g., policies, interventions, service designs) employed by healthcare systems and organizations to improve the quality, and efficiency of care for the patients they serve. To this end, PCORI employs a variety of funding initiatives designed to address high priority research questions about how personnel, technology, program design, and incentives that drive effective and efficient health care solutions to real world problems facing patients, caregivers, clinicians, and other stakeholders. The ultimate purpose of this research is to improve health outcomes that matter to patients, their families, and society. For more information on the research activities of Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research, visit the Healthcare Delivery and Disparities Research page on PCORI's website.

Duties and Responsibilities

The incumbent provides support, direction and leadership in planning, guiding, and encouraging a program of research in three major areas:

1. Conceptualizing, developing and managing national research initiatives designed to improve healthcare system solutions in the delivery of preventive, diagnostic, treatment, and post-treatment services. This area encompasses comparative effectiveness research studies and implementation of research results from such studies into clinical practice.
2. Development of funding initiatives and oversight of research contracts. This would include application of methodological standards related to health system level observational and interventional studies (such as multi-component interventions or multi-level research design and analysis).
3. Leading and/or participating in small teams or working groups to conceptualize research topics, perform or assess systematic reviews of evidence, strategic research portfolio management, and facilitate the prioritization of research questions by experts or advisory panels. These reviews may be summarized in reports, web pages, fact sheets, or manuscripts for publication.
Incumbent(s) in this position may be required to perform other duties and special assignments not specifically stated above.

Statements outlined in this section are designated as essential job functions in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

*PCORI Staff Conflict of Interest Statement - No PCORI employee can receive a direct financial benefit from a healthcare related organization during the course of his/her employment with PCORI.

PCORI conducts background checks on all applicants.

PCORI is an equal opportunity employer committed to cultural diversity in the workplace.

**Required Skills**
- This challenging and highly visible role requires broad scientific expertise, commitment to collaboration, and an ability to develop effective strategies for overcoming barriers to scientific progress and its application.

**Required Experience**
- The successful applicant will be an experienced scientist (Ph.D., or equivalent-level training) with excellent communication skills and a record of peer-reviewed publications.
- Individuals with master's level training but relevant expertise and experience also will be considered.
- The incumbent should have advanced training or experience in health services research and methods, background in evaluating clinical care processes and systems, and experience relevant to applying these skills to the field of comparative effectiveness research.
- Grant or contract management experience is highly desired.

**Job Location**
Washington, District of Columbia, United States

**Position Type**
Full-Time/Regular