Program Director for Health Equity and Type 2 Diabetes Available at NIDDK

The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) is seeking an individual with significant research experience to lead a program addressing health equity in type 2 diabetes and related diseases in the Division of Diabetes, Endocrinology and Metabolic Diseases (DDEMD). The DDEMD supports and provides leadership for research on the causes, prevention and treatment of diabetes and its complications, as well as other endocrine and metabolic diseases.

Current Opening

The NIDDK is seeking a scientist with strong managerial, communications and interpersonal skills, and experience in health disparities in type 2 diabetes. The Program Director will manage ongoing grant portfolios focused on understanding and overcoming upstream causes of health disparities in the prevention and treatment of type 2 diabetes, understanding the role of social determinants of health in diabetes outcomes, and improving health equity. In addition to overseeing a specific portfolio of grants, the applicant will play an active role in working collaboratively with other members of the division to coordinate health disparities and health equity research efforts across all DDEMD portfolios. The applicant will have expertise in research frameworks and approaches relevant to reducing and eliminating health disparities as well as foundational knowledge of implementation research methods needed to move proven therapies into diverse populations and real-world settings. Expertise in community-engaged research and novel methods appropriate for multilevel and multicomponent interventions is essential for this position to help achieve the NIDDK goal of improving health equity.

The Director of the Health Equity and Type 2 Diabetes program in DDEMD will work closely with the Division Director to enhance research activity by identifying opportunities for promoting research to achieve health equity. The incumbent will assess research needs, identify emerging opportunities, develop initiatives, help to assess scientific priorities, support grantees and advise potential applicants of resource opportunities, and administer grants and awards. In addition to the scientific and administrative oversight of grants funded by DDEMD, the Program Director will be responsible for representing DDEMD on joint research activities in collaboration with other divisions and offices in NIDDK and NIH-wide when appropriate.
The applicant should have a Ph.D., or M.D. (or equivalent) in a relevant behavioral health field including psychology, sociology, or public health, and should have extensive health disparities and implementation research experience.

The position is located in Bethesda, Maryland. Salary and benefits will be commensurate with experience of the applicant.

For more information on the position, contact: niddkdemjobopenings@mail.nih.gov.

The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), NIH, and NIDDK are equal opportunity employers committed to equity, diversity, and inclusion. Applicants must be U.S. Citizens and the position is subject to a background check.

If you are not currently looking for a new position, please circulate this announcement to individuals who might be interested.