

POSTDOCTORAL POSITION IN HEALTH ECONOMICS

Advance Care Planning (ACP) CRIO Program

The CRIO Advance Care Planning and Goals of Care Program (ACP CRIO) is a provincial research network funded by Alberta Innovates-Health Solutions to support the adoption of, and study the impact of, the use of Advance Care Planning/Goals of Care Designations (ACP/GCD) across Alberta. Through a health care/academic community partnership, researchers and end-users will conduct a series of research activities to generate and share new knowledge on how to most effectively introduce ACP/GCD across a provincial health care system. The ACP CRIO research network involves multiple stakeholders from ethics, health economics, law, and the academic community, along with patients, healthcare providers and health care administrators across multiple sectors.

The primary purpose of this position is to support and assist the Principal Investigator(s) with the completion of research studies examining the economic consequences of implementing ACP/GCD on the health care system.

The Health Economics post-doctoral fellow reports to the Research Program Manager for administrative functions, and is responsible to the Principal Investigator(s) for study specific tasks. The position will involve regular communication with several research network members and stakeholders.

This position is for an initial appointment of one year, with the possibility of extension. Salary will be commensurate with experience and skills. Benefits information for this position can be found at the following link: <http://www.postdoc.ualberta.ca/HealthCoverage.aspx>.

Duties and responsibilities

- Consulting with the Principal Investigator(s) and ACP CRIO research network members to conduct literature reviews, develop research protocols, identify appropriate data types and sources, complete data analysis, provide interpretations, and present findings/information to team members.
- Working with multiple data types collected (e.g. demographics, time use survey data, health information obtained through chart review, admission/discharge/transfer data, continuing care data, clinical outcomes, financial data) and multiple data sources to support analytics that integrate data across multiple and complex data sources.
- Assisting with the preparation of abstracts, reports, manuscripts and presentations.
- Acting as a liaison between the Principal Investigator, ACP CRIO research network members, research staff, healthcare providers, subjects/patients and other stakeholders.

Qualifications

- PhD or equivalent in Economics, Health Economics, Health Services Research, Epidemiology, Biostatistics, Public Health Sciences, Nursing, or a related field.
- Experience conducting economic evaluation analyses (i.e. cost minimization, cost benefit, cost effectiveness, cost utility analyses) and performing econometric or statistical modeling with appropriate software packages such as STATA, SAS, SPSS, R.
- Minimum three years' experience working with spreadsheets, databases, and tools for querying, integrating, analysing, interpreting, reporting and disseminating data.

- Experience with large administrative datasets, data linkage, and application of statistical or database-management software.
- Ability to learn and understand clinical issues.
- Skills in facilitation, collaboration, negotiation, and problem solving with multi-disciplinary teams.
- Proficiency in English, with strong verbal and written communication skills to produce reports and communicate with research network members and stakeholders.

To Apply:

Interested applications should submit an electronic application consisting of a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and contact information for three references addressed to:

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Please e-mail applications to Dr. Michelle Chan, mc3@ualberta.ca
T: 780 492-9200 (+1 if outside Canada)

Closing date:

The position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

We thank all applicants for their interest; however, only those individuals selected for an interview will be contacted.

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