

Senior Investigator and Chief, Epidemiology Branch, NICHD

Department of Health and Human Services National Institutes of Health *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Division of Population Health Research

The Division of Population Health Research (DiPHR) of the *Eunice Kennedy Shriver* National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD), National Institutes of Health (NIH), Health and Human Services (HHS), is seeking to recruit an exceptional and visionary leader for the position of Senior Investigator and Chief of the Epidemiology Branch (EB). The mission of the Epidemiology Branch (<https://www.nichd.nih.gov/about/org/dir/dph/officebranch/eb>), one of three intramural Branches within the Division, is to conduct high-impact research focusing on reproductive, pregnancy, and infant and child health; provide outstanding mentorship to post-baccalaureate, pre-doctoral, and post-doctoral trainees; and provide service to the NIH and to the field of epidemiology and population sciences at large. Research within EB is closely aligned with the NICHD's Strategic Plan (https://www.nichd.nih.gov/sites/default/files/2019-09/NICHD_Strategic_Plan.pdf).

The new Epidemiology Branch Chief will bring dynamic vision and leadership to expand and direct the Branch's next phase of research, mentorship, and professional service. The Branch's current research encompasses interventional and observational research in the areas of genomic and nutritional epidemiology from pre-conception through childhood; reproductive and perinatal health; and child growth and development. The new Branch Chief will build on this strong foundation of research by recruiting faculty and trainees at all levels. The Branch Chief is expected to establish an independent program of research within the NICHD's Intramural Research Program. We seek applicants with a team science orientation who have expertise and interests in areas that complement existing research in the EB and the skills to foster broad collaborations across DiPHR's Social and Behavioral Sciences Branch and its Biostatistics and Bioinformatics Branch. As part of the Division's senior leadership, the incoming Chief will have the opportunity to contribute to and shape DiPHR's next strategic plan, outlining a program of high-risk, high-reward population health research that highlights the importance of population health in the 21st century.

Candidates must have a Ph.D. and/or M.D. with substantial epidemiology research experience. The successful applicant must have international stature for his/her scholarship commensurate with tenure at the NIH, demonstrated success in mentoring, strong leadership and administrative skills, and evidence of professional service. We seek candidates with a deep commitment to promoting a diverse, respectful, and inclusive workplace.

Appointees may be US citizens, permanent US residents, or non-residents of the US with or eligible to obtain a valid employment-authorized visa. The Branch Chief will be eligible to be appointed to a tenured position at a salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. NICHD offers an outstanding research environment. Resources for senior investigators include full salary support as well as funding for trainees and support for original population-based research initiatives. A full benefits package is available, including retirement, health insurance, life insurance, long-term care insurance, annual and sick leave, and Thrift Savings Plan (401K equivalent).

Interested candidates should email a complete application package consisting of a cover letter, *curriculum vitae*, research statement, vision statement for the EB, diversity and inclusion statement, and the contact information of three references to:

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Please describe in your diversity and inclusion statement your experiences recruiting and mentoring individuals from groups underrepresented in the population sciences as well as your experiences including diverse populations in epidemiologic research. All inquiries about the position should be directed to Dr. Stephen Gilman (stephen.gilman@nih.gov), chair of the search committee. Complete applications received by September 1, 2022, will be considered for a first round of interviews, but applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Federal agencies may request information regarding the vaccination status of selected applicants for the purposes of implementing other workplace safety protocols, such as protocols related to masking, physical distancing, testing, travel, and quarantine. Employees providing healthcare or services in support of healthcare (Healthcare Workforce) may be required to receive a COVID-19 vaccine because they are expected to perform duties that put them in contact or potential contact with patients. We may request COVID-19 vaccination, and other vaccination documentation from Healthcare Workforce personnel at any point during the onboarding process or at any time during your employment with NIH.

HHS, NIH, and NICHD are Equal Opportunity Employers. The NIH encourages the application and nomination of qualified women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities. Selection for this position will be based solely on merit, with no discrimination for non-merit reasons such as race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, political affiliation, marital status, disability, age, or membership or non-membership in an employee organization.



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