

Cancer Research Training Award Fellowship Opportunity Announcement

Behavioral Research Program

Announcement Title

Tobacco Control Research CRTA Post-Doctoral Fellow

Introduction

The National Cancer Institute's Behavioral Research Program (BRP), within the Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences, seeks to recruit a Cancer Research Training Award (CRTA) Post-Doctoral Fellow to serve in the Tobacco Control Research Branch (TCRB). For more information about the BRP mission, please see: <http://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp/index.html>. To learn more about TCRB and its key initiatives, visit <https://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp/tcrb>.

This full-time position is based in Rockville, Maryland,* and provides outstanding opportunities for training and professional development that supports program activities and contributes to the scientific literature in tobacco control. CRTA Fellows interact and collaborate with researchers in public health, behavioral medicine, and cancer prevention at NCI, across the National Institutes of Health (NIH), and in the broader research community.

Position Description

The CRTA Fellow will function as part of a multidisciplinary team of Federal staff, contractors, and external scientists who plan and implement tobacco control research activities. Day-to-day activities may include contributing to manuscripts for peer-reviewed journal publications; conducting literature reviews or environmental scans; performing data analyses; writing scientific content for Federal and other audiences; developing consumer-focused cessation content for online or social media platforms or promotion; participating in team meetings; and, attending seminars and other training opportunities. The Fellow is encouraged to initiate projects that align with TCRB's goals. With prior approval, opportunities may exist for attending* national scientific conferences to attend or present findings. The Fellow is also encouraged to explore project opportunities in other branches of BRP.

Qualifications

- Ph.D. or equivalent degree in a relevant discipline (e.g., psychology, epidemiology, public health, health policy, health communication, medicine, biostatistics)
- A strong interest in tobacco control research (particularly in tobacco cessation, surveillance, and other research topics of interest to the branch) and behavioral science research. See: <https://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp/tcrb/key-initiatives> for additional information.
- Exemplary ability and experience in writing for scientific audiences
- Experience conducting research or serving as a research assistant on a scientific project
- Data management and/or analysis skills is desirable
- Superior academic achievement, typically cumulative 3.5 GPA or higher
- Excellent organizational, planning, writing, and project management skills
- Excellent interpersonal skills, and the ability to work independently and as part of a research team

Application Requirements

To be considered for this position, the following materials must be submitted:

1. Cover Letter

Explain your interest in tobacco control, your professional development goals, and how you hope this fellowship will help toward achieving them.

2. Other Relevant Work or Life Experience
Describe your experience in public health, tobacco control, and/or smoking cessation.
3. Resume or CV
4. Two letters of recommendation

Application materials may be submitted via email to ncidccpsbrpadvances@mail.nih.gov. For questions about the position, contact [Dr. Stephanie Land](#) or [Ms. Kristen Mangold](#).

Highly ranked candidates will receive a request to submit proof of U.S. citizenship (photocopy of birth certificate or passport) or resident alien status (Green Card) and official transcripts and/or proof of academic good standing of highest degree conferred. If currently enrolled in school, Proof of Academic Good Standing must be sent on official letterhead and signed by a graduate studies program director, advisor, or equivalent.

The National Cancer Institute is an Equal Opportunity Employer. We are committed to creating a diverse and inclusive work environment, and we strongly encourage candidates from underrepresented groups to apply.

Application Deadline

Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Start Date

January 2021 (negotiable)

Stipend and Benefits

The stipends for CRTA Fellows are adjusted yearly and are commensurate with academic achievement and relevant experience. The stipend range for the initial appointment of a post-doctoral CRTA Fellow is available online at: <http://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp/research/stipend.html>.

Benefits include health insurance at no cost and a wide range of career development and social activities. The office is located in Rockville, Maryland,* and is easily accessible by car or public transportation from surrounding locations in Maryland and Washington, DC.

*** Coronavirus Pandemic Notice**

All TCRB staff are currently on remote work status. Professional travel is not currently permitted.

To learn more about the BRP Fellowship experience, please see our online staff directory at: <https://staffprofiles.cancer.gov/brp/prgmStaffList.do?listCodeId=52814&listType=stf>. You are encouraged to contact current and past fellows, mentors, and other staff members.