

Chief, Tobacco Control Research Branch National Cancer Institute National Institutes of Health

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The National Cancer Institute (NCI) is seeking an innovative leader to serve as Chief, Tobacco Control Research Branch (TCRB), within the Behavioral Research Program (BRP), Division of Cancer Control and Population Sciences (DCCPS). TCRB serves a central role within the federal government as a source of expertise and evidence on issues such as the quality of, and access to, cancer screening among smokers and tobacco cessation services; the economic burden of tobacco use; media and communication effects; tobacco control policy; and the translation of research into practice. For more information, see <https://cancercontrol.cancer.gov/brp/tcrb>.

Background

The Branch Chief, in partnership with the BRP leadership team and DCCPS senior staff, provides authoritative scientific leadership and expertise in the planning, development, direction, and administration of an integrated program of the highest-quality tobacco control research. The Branch Chief will supervise and/or oversee a large staff of program directors (health science administrators), epidemiologists, social scientists, behavioral methodologists, public health administrators, and trainees/fellows; and manage an extramural portfolio of tobacco control grants, scientific and administrative support contracts, and collaborations with federal partners. The TCRB chief conducts and leads evaluation activities focused on biomedical, behavioral, and digital technology interventions in NIH-supported clinical research areas. The TCRB chief engages in work directly involved in creating significant scientific, policy, or regulatory guidance that has national or international impact.

Qualification Requirements

Applicants must possess a doctoral level degree in biomedicine or a biological related field, medical degree, or a doctoral or master's level degree in engineering, bioinformatics, or a related/emerging field. Candidates must meet U.S. Office of Personnel Management educational and qualification standards for the scientific discipline directly related to the position and must furnish proof of educational (i.e., official transcripts) and other (e.g. licensure, Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates) qualifications.

In addition, applicants must have

- Demonstrated expertise in tobacco control research to set scientific research priorities, make program decisions, develop scientific policy, provide authoritative guidance, resolve issues, and evaluate the research;
- Knowledge of new trends and technologies in tobacco control and cancer research;
- Experience leading and managing cancer control and population sciences research programs involving epidemiological, behavioral, social, health services, and surveillance research;
- Supervisory experience overseeing scientific and administrative staff;
- Managed large tobacco control research programs or complex contracts;
- Led multidisciplinary groups in tobacco strategies and initiatives; and
- Established successful partnerships with a broad range of agencies and non-federal organizations.

The Chief of the Tobacco Control Research Branch will report to the Associate Director, BRP, Dr. William Klein. For organizational details, see <https://staffprofiles.cancer.gov/brp/prgmStaffHome.do>.

How to Apply

Applicants must submit a current curriculum vitae, bibliography, and full contact details for three references. In addition, applicants must prepare two statements: a vision statement and a statement that addresses the specific qualification requirements (please limit both statements to two pages each).

To apply, email your application package to Ms. Jessica Moore at jessica.moore2@nih.gov, with the subject line "TCRB SBRBPAS" by October 24, 2022. All above listed documents must be included for your application to be considered. You may contact Ms. Moore for more information about this vacancy.

Benefits

This position will be filled under the Silvio O. Conte Senior Biomedical Research and Biomedical Product Assessment Service (SBRBPAS), SBR1 appointment, a mechanism to recruit and retain outstanding and qualified scientific and technical experts in the fields of biomedical research, clinical research evaluation, and biomedical product assessment. Salary is competitive and will be commensurate with the qualifications and experience of the candidate. Full federal benefits will be provided, including retirement, health and life insurance, long-term care insurance, leave, and a Thrift Savings Plan (401K equivalent). A recruitment or relocation bonus may be available, and relocation expenses may be paid. At the discretion of the supervisor and NIH policy, candidates may be eligible for workplace flexibilities, which may include remote work or telework options, and/or flexible work scheduling. These flexibilities may be requested in accordance with NIH Workplace Flexibilities guidance: <https://hr.nih.gov/working-nih/workplace-flexibilities>.

Equal Employment Opportunity

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. The NIH encourages the application and nomination of qualified women, minorities, and individuals with disabilities.

Standards of Conduct/Financial Disclosure

The NIH inspires public confidence in our science by maintaining high ethical principles. NIH employees are subject to federal government-wide regulations and statutes, as well as agency-specific regulations described at <http://ethics.od.nih.gov/default.htm>. We encourage applicants to review this information. The position is subject to a background investigation and requires the incumbent to complete a public financial disclosure report prior to the effective date of the appointment.

Foreign Education

Applicants who have completed part or all of their education outside of the U.S. must have their foreign education evaluated by an accredited organization to ensure that the foreign education is equivalent to education received in accredited education institutions in the United States. **We will only accept the completed foreign education evaluation.** For more information on foreign education verification, visit the National Association of Credential Evaluation Services (NACES) website. **Verification must be received prior to the effective date of the appointment.**

Reasonable Accommodation

NIH provides reasonable accommodations to applicants with disabilities. If you require reasonable accommodations during any part of the application and hiring process, please notify us. The decision on granting reasonable accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.

DCCPS is deeply committed to building a diverse health sciences workforce that maintains, fosters, and promotes an equitable, inclusive, accessible, and nurturing work environment.

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