PRE or POST DOCTORAL POSITION KIDSTEPS II STUDY

Full time or half time.

Seeking psychology, social work, education, public health or health services pre or post-doc interested in early childhood social/emotional development and executive functioning and how that impacts behavior and school readiness. Participate in an Institute of Education Sciences funded 4-year study of a preschool and Head Start curricular intervention that includes follow up to kindergarten. Opportunities to be trained in applied RCT development, implementation science, study management, teacher training, child assessment, classroom observations, grants management and development, and manuscript preparation. Work will involve: field data collection, teacher/classroom training and coaching, implementation and study management, data entry, data analysis and manuscript writing. Opportunity to develop substudies and participate as first author or coauthor.

Must have research experience and work with children and schools, child care programs or community organizations. Broad interest in health care research, including integrating behavioral health and chronic disease management interventions for children or adults into primary care settings is a plus.

Study will be conducted in child care and Head Start programs in Central Massachusetts with weekly field work and some evening teacher trainings. Having a car is essential as well as ability to devote time to study tasks within an overall flexible framework focused on necessary implementation work and completion of assigned duties.

Position will be with University of Massachusetts Medical School, Department of Family Medicine. Pre-doc will be a non-benefitted position or contract salary. Post-doc will be part of campus-wide post-doctoral program with competitive post-doctoral salary and attractive fringe benefits; support for local travel costs and conference travel related to study activities. Rich array of Grand Rounds, Seminars, and special training workshops available in research methods and statistics, and in areas of child and adult health and development.

Please send resume, statement of interest, writing sample (thesis chapter or published article), and names, phone numbers and email addresses of three referees to:

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